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GIFT OF $50,000

By Frederick Fanning Ayer to Lowell General Hospital

FREDERICK FANNING AYER.

Again Has the Wealthy New Yorker Shown His Regard for a Lowell Institution — A New Building to be Erected Without Delay to Enlarge Hospital Work

Frederick Fanning Ayer of New York has made another princely gift to the home city of his ancestors in the shape of $50,000 to the Lowell General hospital for the erection of an additional building for the hospital which is to be a model of its kind.

The gift was made public at a special meeting of the hospital trustees held yesterday afternoon.

President Jacob Rogers called to order and then read the following letter from Mr. Ayer:

New York, Jan. 27, 1904.

To the Trustees of the Lowell General Hospital, Lowell, Mass.

Gentlemen: Enclosed herewith please find my check to the Lowell General hospital for fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00,) said sum to be used exclusively for the construction of an additional building for the hospital in accordance with plans which have been approved by me and are made part of this communication.

Respectfully Yours,
(Signed) FREDERICK F. AYER.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

Dr. Stowell then moved the following resolutions which were enthusiastically adopted:—

"Resolved, that the trustees of the Lowell General hospital accept with profound gratitude this princely gift just received from Mr. Frederick Fanning Ayer of New York city, and they feel greatly impressed with this renewed manifestation of Mr. Ayer's great generosity and continued interest in our Lowell General hospital, as evinced by this munificent gift of $50,000, which with his previous donations during the past year to our hospital, aggregate the great sum of $155,000.

"The building which this gift will permit us to erect will, when completed, enable the hospital to do a much greater work than has been possible under our present limitations. And it will be the constant and most earnest endeavor of the trustees to so conduct the affairs of the institution as to merit the continued approval of our most generous donor. It is hoped and confidently expected that, with the aid and generous assistance of our citizens, a much larger amount of good can be accomplished than has been heretofore possible.

"Resolved, that we proceed at once to erect the building which Mr. Ayer's munificent gift has made it possible for us to have, and should he approve, our earnest desire is that the building should bear the name of our honored friend and patron—The Frederick Fanning Ayer Building."

The whole question of construction, letting of contract, etc., etc., was referred back to the executive and building committees, with full power.

After the exchange of congratulations among themselves the trustees adjourned.

Mr. Ayer, it is said, has had the gift in mind for some time, but did not make his intentions public until he found out the kind of a building required and its cost.

THE PROPOSED BUILDING.

The proposed building will be located almost directly east of the present building and will be connected with it by a covered passageway 60 feet in length. It will be built of brick and granite, will be 150 feet long, 40 feet wide and two stories high. The first floor will be for the use of women exclusively and the second for men. The front of each floor will be used as a ward in which there will be accommodation for 12 or 15 beds. There will also be eight or ten private rooms on each floor. When fully equipped the new building will have accommodations for about 50 persons.

A maternity department with five private rooms will be established on the first floor in the rear. Overhead will be the operating rooms, fitted up in most modern style, with special rooms for sterilizing, etherizing and for the private use of the surgeons. There will be two operating rooms, a smaller one for emergency cases. The architect is Mr. Taylor of the firm of Kendall, Taylor & Stevens of Boston, who make a specialty of hospital construction.

Altar Candles at C. B. Coburn & Co.'s.

SKETCH OF MERRY COASTERS ENJOYING THE PREVAILING SPORT SO POPULAR IN BELVIDERE AND CENTRALVILLE SINCE THE COLD WEATHER STARTED.

LOWELL MAN HURT

In Railroad Accident in the South

JAMES W. HARTLEY A TRAVELLING MACHINIST

For the Kitson Company Lost a Leg

The Kitson Machine Co. of this city is in receipt of a telegram from Columbia, S. C., from James W. Hartley, one of their traveling men, to the effect that he was in a railroad accident in South Carolina and was injured so badly that it was necessary to have his right foot amputated.

Inquiry at the Kitson Machine Co. this morning by a representative of The Sun brought out the information that a telegram to the effect that Hartley had been injured was received, but no particulars further than that it was necessary to amputate his foot. A number of telegrams have been sent to Columbia by the Kitson company, but no replies have been received.

Mr. Hartley resides in this city on Watson street and has a wife and children. Mr. Hartley was supposed to be at Hartsville, S. C., erecting machinery for the Kitson company.

FUNERALS

FORD—The funeral of Charles Ford took place yesterday afternoon from his late home, 33 South Loring street. Services were conducted by Rev. B. F. Kingsley, assisted by Rev. Asa Reed Dills. Appropriate solos were rendered by Mrs. Scribner, Mr. and Mrs. Bearce and Mr. Slater. The bearers were O. D. Wilder, Fred Holmes, Stillman C. Davis and Mr. Lahue. Burial was in the Edson cemetery under the direction of Undertaker J. A. Weinheck.

WHITING—The funeral of Hazel L. Whiting took place yesterday afternoon from the home of her parents, 96 Crawford street. Prayers were read by Rev. Mr. Manchester. Burial was in the Edson cemetery under the direction of Undertaker C. M. Young.

THE TOWN WINS

Fight Against Street Railway Co. Ended

OAKLAND, Me., Jan. 29.—The contest between the street commissioner of this town and the Oakland and Waterville Street Railway company to determine who shall remove the snow from the streets through which the company's tracks run, has been settled in favor of the former. An agreement was reached today and immediately a large number of men and teams were put to work by the company to remove the snow from the streets.

During the snow storm of Wednesday night the company kept snow plows constantly in motion on their lines and the snow was piled up to a depth of several feet on either side of the tracks. When the company refused to remove the snow from the streets the commissioner ordered out scrapers and men and piled the snow back on the car tracks only to have it thrown up again by the company's plows. All day the warfare continued, but when the commissioner threatened to call out the fire department and wet down the tracks the company capitulated.

Look at the show window. Trimmed hats for 49c and 98c at Gregoire's.

WITHOUT BAIL

CYRUS RYAN HELD ON MURDER CHARGE.

HINGHAM, Mass., Jan. 29.—Charged with the murder of Quong Sing, a Chinese laundryman at Hanover yesterday, Cyrus L. Ryan was arraigned in the second district court here today before Judge Kelley. He pleaded not guilty and at the request of Capt. Proctor of the state police the case was continued until Saturday, Feb. 6, at Abington. Ryan was held without bail and taken to the Plymouth jail.

TUG WENT ASHORE.

PAS QUE ISLAND, Mass., Jan. 29.—Tug G. M. Winslow, towing a barge, went ashore on the Sow and Pigs this forenoon. The Cuttyhunk life saving crew went out to the assistance of the Winslow and her captain requested to be taken ashore. It was brought in and he telegraphed to Vineyard Haven for assistance. He was informed that the tug Dudley Pray would be sent out at once. It is thought that the tug can be pulled off. The barge did not strike but is at anchor near the Winslow.

A WISH EASILY GRATIFIED.

Those teeth that you wish were out can be extracted without a particle of pain by Dr. Allen, Old City Hall, if he uses his wonderful Eu-Cola.

MEN RESCUED

WERE BLOWN ALONG WITH AN ICE FLOE.

NANTUCKET, Mass., Jan. 29.—The steamer Petrel reached port early today with Louis McGarvey, a fisherman, and Alonzo Chase, both of Nantucket, who were imprisoned in the ice yesterday. The men were being blown along with an ice floe towards the open sea through the passage between Nantucket and Tuckernuck Islands, the steamer finding them just in time to save their lives. Both men were exhausted by exposure and through their efforts to get the boat out of the ice. The cutboat left Vineyard Haven yesterday morning for Nantucket but became imprisoned in the ice near Eel Point. The steamer Petrel spent two hours searching among the ice fields drifting north of the island last night before the men were rescued.

ON QUESTIONS OF LAW.

In the supreme judicial court this week a hearing on questions of law in the case of McGonigle Bros. against the Victor H. J. Belle Isle company, was held. The decision was reserved.

NOT GUILTY OF MURDER.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 29.—Mrs. Lulu Prince Kennedy Kramer, on trial a second time for the murder in January, 1901, of her first husband, Philip H. Kennedy, was found not guilty by a jury here today. At her first trial she was convicted and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

You can buy mostly any kind of a sleigh at J. B. Sabre's, 597 Merrimack street, from $5.00 up.

Mr. Louis Grunewald, Jr., for some time past the able manager of the M. Steinert & Sons piano firm of this city, is to sever his connection with the firm tomorrow to enter business for himself. He has had long and valuable experience in the business.

THE WEATHER

Local forecast: Cloudy tonight. Saturday, partly cloudy to cloudy but probably fair; warmer Saturday; brisk to high north to west winds.

Any Children?

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RUSSIA'S REPLY

Rumor of Its Import Discussed in London

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The Japanese minister, Baron Hayashi, said this morning, with reference to the report published by the Daily Graphic (to the effect that the Russian reply to Japan was completed Wednesday, that it had been communicated to M. Kurino, the Japanese minister at St. Petersburg and that it was unfavorable), that M. Kurino had officially notified him that the council of state called to consider the Russian reply was only held in St. Petersburg yesterday as cabled to the Associated Press. Baron Hayashi added that the reply had not yet been sent and that it will only be submitted for the czar's approval today.

"There are no means, therefore," added the Japanese minister, "of knowing the contents of the answer, and as to the probable tenor thereof I have no official information."

The Russian embassy, in denying the Daily Graphic's statement, says that the information reached by the embassy confirms the statements on the subject made in the Associated Press despatch from St. Petersburg yesterday.

DEATHS

BARRINGTON—James Barrington, aged 60 years, died at his home in North Billerica yesterday. Deceased leaves a wife, three sons, Peter and Roger of North Billerica and William of England, and two sisters, Mrs. Matilda Lodney of Billerica and Mrs. Maria Davis of England.

BURNS—Edna Howe Burns died at her home in Pelham yesterday, aged 24 years. She leaves three brothers and one sister. She was for three years an attendant at the Pinkerton academy in Derry, N. H., and was a graduate of Miss Hard's school in this city.

PARADIS—Pierre Paradis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Paradis, died late yesterday afternoon at his parents' home, 141 Fletcher street, aged 13 years, 5 months and 23 days. The death was due to pleurisy, with which he had been ill for two months. He was a bright lad, a pupil of St. Joseph's college, and he was a member of the Angel Guardian sodality. Besides his parents he leaves two brothers and two sisters.

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Teas
Extra Teas...3 lbs. $1.65; 60c lb.
Choice Teas..3 lbs. $1.35; 50c lb.
Fine Teas....3 lbs. $1.00; 35c lb.
Good Teas.....3 lbs. 70c; 25c lb.

Crackers
Fig Bars.....10c lb.
English Wine.....10c lb.
Sugar Cookies.....10c lb.
Grandmother's Cookies...10c lb.
Oatmeal Crackers.....12c lb.
Graham Crackers.....12c lb.
Equal Lunch...3 lbs. 25c; 10c lb.
Soda Biscuit....4 lbs. 25c; 7c lb.
Lemon Cakes...5 lbs. 25c; 6c lb.
Ginger Snaps...5 lbs. 25c; 6c lb.
Common Crackers.
5 lbs. 25c; 5c lb.

Dried Fruits
Best California Prunes.
2 lbs. 25c; 15c lb.
Extra California Prunes,
2½ lbs. 25c; 12c lb.
Choice California Prunes,
3 lbs. 25c; 10c lb.
Fine California Prunes.
4 lbs. 25c; 7c lb.
Good Prunes....6 lbs. 25c; 5c lb.
California Evaporated Peaches,
10c lb.
California Evaporated Apricots,
15c lb.
Evaporated Apples,
10c and 14c lb.
Cleaned Currants,
3 lbs. 25c; 9c lb.

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FROM YESTERDAY'S LATE EDITIONS

ECHO OF STRIKE

Belle Isle Credit Co. Makes Assignment

ATTRIBUTES FAILURE TO TEXTILE STRIKE

In Notice Filed With City Clerk

The V. H. J. Belle-Isle company, a credit house doing business on Middlesex street, this morning filed a notice of temporary financial embarrassment with the city clerk and assigned to Henry W. Ordway and Anthony Welch.

The company is incorporated under the laws of Maine and its reason for its financial troubles are unique among those given in similar cases.

The notice states that the company is a credit house doing business principally among mill operatives and that owing to a prolonged strike its patrons have in most cases been unable to pay their indebtedness to the company and hence the company has been unable to meet its bills.

This is the first case of business failure on record traced directly to the recent mill strike.

SERIOUS CHARGE

Father is Accused by His Daughters

Edward M. Freeman was arrested by Inspectors Laflamme and Maher this noon on a charge of incest. The complainants in the case are two daughters of the accused. One of the girls is 16 years of age and the other has not yet reached her 18th year. They live with their father on Lincoln street.

Freeman is employed at Howarth & Watson's factory in Lincoln street.

Mr. Freeman is nearly 70 years old and the crime with which he is charged is alleged to have been committed while under the influence of liquor. His wife died about ten years ago and the two girls, the complainants in the case, were inmates of the Faith Home in Westford street for several months. Later they went to Enfield, N. H., and, it is alleged, joined the Quakers. A few weeks ago they received a letter from their father stating that he had established a comfortable home in this city and he asked them to come to Lowell. They had tired of the Quaker district and were glad to comply with their father's request. Instead of the comfortable home, however, they found an apology for one. The house was old and poor and practically unfurnished. Monday Mr. Freeman and his daughters quarreled and in consequence of that quarrel the story reached the police. They left the house and called on a neighbor, a woman, with whom they were on visiting terms. They told her their story and she advised them to report to the police. Mr. Freeman denies the charge brought by his daughters.

PLEASANT TIME

WANNALANCIT WHIST CLUB HAD A JOLLY SESSION.

Last evening the Wannalancit Whist club held its fourth meeting at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Martin H. Reidy, 172 School street, and the occasion was a very pleasant one. Four tables of progressive whist were doing business and several high scores were made. When the time limit was reached it was found that Mr. Edward F. Slattery had won the gentleman's prize and Mrs. Thomas F. Maguire carried off the lady's prize, while her husband won the booby prize. After the awarding of the prizes the party repaired to the dining room, where a dainty lunch was served.

A musical program as dainty and pleasing as the lunch itself was next in order and each number was well cared for. Special mention, however, is due Miss May Teague, of Charlestown, who favored with vocal and instrumental selections. Miss Teague has a wonderfully sweet voice. Her notes are as pure as those of the birds and the natural beauty of her middle and upper tones are of peculiar sweetness. She is a natural singer. Mrs. D. J. Devine favored with piano selections, while whist was in progress and later gave way to Thomas Maguire. Mr. Daniel S. O'Brien favored with vocal selections, and was in splendid voice.

The Wannalancits boast of having not only expert whist players, but also of having a fine glee club, of which Mr. E. F. Slattery is director. The pleasure of last night's meeting lasted until midnight and before adjourning the company paid their respects to the host and hostess.

APPOINTED REAR ADMIRAL.

BERLIN, Jan. 28—Commodore Sheder in command of the German West Indian squadron has been appointed a rear admiral.

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BOARD OF HEALTH

Mayor Howe Will Appoint at Once

TO CONFORM WITH THE LAW

Who the Appointees May Be

Mayor Howe in all probability will send his board of health appointments to the city clerk's office before the week ends in order to cover the law for chapter 332 of the acts of 1895 says that the mayor and aldermen shall appoint one member of the board of health during the month of January for a term of three years, beginning the first Monday in February. Dr. Holbrook's term expires with the month, while Mr. McGuinness has been holding over all year.

The mayor will appoint Dr. Huntress to succeed Dr. Holbrook and Mr. William C. Doherty, in all probability, to succeed Mr. McGuinness. It has been the mayor's intention throughout to appoint a republican and a democrat but he has had some difficulty in deciding upon the democrat. The position, it is said, has been offered to and turned down by George W. Fifield who has not been well since his automobile accident and John C. Burke who declined for business reasons.

CIVIL SERVICE

FOUR EXAMINATIONS TO BE HELD IN THIS CITY IN MARCH.

A civil service examination for clerks and messengers in the municipal service will take place in this city on March 3. On March 3 an examination for foremen of labor and inspectors of work will be held, while another will be held on the same date for school house janitors. On March 30 an examination will be held for the police force.

LOWELL OFFICIALS

ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STATE BOARDS OF HEALTH.

The members of the board of health and Dr. T. B. Smith, the city's bacteriologist, attended the annual meeting of the state association of boards of health in Boston yesterday.

PERSONALS

Miss Ruth Clune of Brockton is visiting relatives in Grove avenue.

The first whist party in aid of St. John's hospital will be held in Prescott hall next Monday night.

Edward P. Heelon, a student at Holy Cross college, is at his home, Rogers street, recovering from a severe attack of grip.

S. Cushing Prince, a Lowell boy, graduated with his class from the Gorham, Maine, normal school on the 21st of this month. He is the son of H. K. Prince of 50 Fifth street, this city.

Thomas F. Maguire of Hose 6, who was severely injured at the O'Donnell & Gilbride fire, breathed the out-door air, yesterday, for the first time since the accident. Hose 6 is proud of Tom. He's a fireman that knows no fear.

The many friends of the stalwart and genial John Butler, the motorman, who was injured in the trolley accident at Dracut several weeks ago, were glad to greet him yesterday. With the assistance of a cane and crutch he is able to be about, and he paid Merrimack square a visit yesterday afternoon. He was discharged from the hospital a few days ago.

HOVEY'S CONCERT.

Owing to the heavy snow storm of Tuesday night Hovey's concert which was scheduled to take place in Colonial hall on that night was postponed until a later date which will be announced. The tickets for Tuesday night's concert will be good for the postponed date.

FUNERALS

RICHARD—The funeral of Rose A. Richard took place this morning at eight o'clock from her late home, 375 Market street, and was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased. The cortege proceeded to St. Jean Baptiste church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at 8.30 o'clock by Rev. Fr. Diss, O. M. I. The choir under the direction of Mr. George W. Caisse sang the Gregorian mass and during the service appropriate selections were rendered by different members of the choir.

The bearers were Joseph Richard, Joseph Lavigne and Frank Monahan of this city and Clifford Laduke of Fitchburg. The interment was in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Diss, O. M. I. The funeral was under the direction of Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

MONEY IN CLOTHING

POLICE THINK ORTMAN WAS MURDERED.

CHICAGO, Jan. 28—With bills of large denominations amounting to more than $500 sewed in his clothing, August Ortmen has been found dead in the squalid little rear room of his home.

The man had been shot dead. Ortman was thought to have a large amount of money concealed in the place. For this reason the police believe that he may have been murdered, the thieves overlooking the amount concealed in his clothing.

KOPP RETURNS

INDICTED OFFICIAL WAS AT DYING MOTHER'S BEDSIDE.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 28—Chris Kopp, the former councilman who was indicted by the Kansas City, Kansas, special jury on the charge of bribery and whose whereabouts have been unknown for six weeks past, has arrived at his home in Kansas City, Kansas. He said he had been at Jeffersonville, Ind., at the bedside of his mother, who is seriously ill, and that he came to Kansas City as soon as he heard of his indictment.

FROM KANSAS CITY

Ex-Chief Hale Inspecting Fire Apparatus

Ex-Chief Hale, of the Kansas City fire department, was in this city today inspecting the local fire house. His main object in coming to this city was to see what arrangement had been made for the transporting of the hand tub at the central fire station which will be exhibited at the fire exhibit at the St. Louis exposition.

Ex-Chief Hale has charge of the fire exhibit at the exposition, and from photographs shown to The Sun reporter and descriptions given by Capt. Hale the fire exhibit will be one of the features of the fair. It will be remembered that Capt. Hale won the international cups at London and Paris in 1900 and 1903 for having the champion fire brigade, the work of his department, in the hitch, running to the fire and the Pompeiian work.

Capt. Hale also has charge of the fire department at the grounds, and in case of fires breaking out his department will be used. Every day spectators at the fair will have a chance to see a realistic fire scene. The people at first see the firemen asleep, next the alarm is given and the hitch made. Then comes the run to the fire and then the battle with the flames, a specially prepared building being burned daily.

LOWELL DENTISTS

ANNUAL BANQUET HELD AT ST. CHARLES HOTEL.

The annual banquet and election of officers of the Lowell Dental association was held last night in the private dining room at the St. Charles hotel. The room had been prepared for the reception of the doctors, having been decorated in a most artistic manner.

The election of officers was the principal business and the result was as follows: President, Dr. William H. Downs; vice presidents, Dr. J. V. Pepin and Dr. Edwin Farrington; treasurer, Dr. V. E. Darling; secretary, Dr. E. E. Kinney.

Dr. M. C. Smith of Lynn gave an address after the dinner on "Adenoid Growths," a subject in which he was well versed, and upon which he delivered himself fluently and in an interesting manner. Dr. Smith was approached informally during the evening and was pleased to answer several questions.

The executive committee chosen for another year was as follows: Drs. C. E. Snyder, Frank G. Gulliland, William H. Pepin, Walter E. Knapp, B. F. Heald.

Those who sat down at the dinner were: Drs. C. E. Snyder, D. D. Snyder, A. W. Burnham, Norman S. Phillips, Charles F. Harris, John V. Pepin, William H. Pepin, Victor E. Darling, Walter E. Knapp, Edwin L. Farrington, Henry E. Langis, W. H. Downs, Fred W. Barnes, Hugh Walker, Edwin E. Kinney.

PLEASANT WHIST PARTY

BY COURT ANTOINE, F. OF A., WITH 500 FRIENDS.

A pleasing whist party and social was held last night at the C. M. A. C hall in Pawtucket street, under the auspices of Court St. Antoine, F. of A., and about 500 friends of the court turned out and made the affair a grand success. Only 375 could be accommodated at the whist tables and in order that the remainder of the people might have a chance to win a prize their names were put in a hat and when the drawing was held it resulted in the winning of a toilet set by Miss Mercedes Bouthillete while Miss Mina Tellier won a bronze clock.

There were 48 prizes in the whist contest, the first prize being a $5 gold piece which was won by Dr. L. V. Rochette. While the whist party was going on a pleasing entertainment, under the direction of J. F. Montminy, was given.

The judges at whist were Deputy High Chief Ranger A. L. Roberge of Lawrence, J. B. Fremeau, Henri Chaput, Geo. Labrie, F. L. Rivet and Isaie Jalbert.

Chief Ranger Dr. A. G. Payette was master of ceremonies. The committee in charge consisted of Henri Desmorais, president; J. F. Montminy, secretary and treasurer; Achille Nadeau, Onesime Nadeau, E. I. Beaudet, L. J. Cornellier, Joseph Goyette, Ludger Genest, J. Z. Desrosiers, Arthur N. Beulais, Leonce Fortin, Alpheda Roy, Gaspard Michaud, Azarie Thibault, Dr. A. G. Payette.

Deputy High Chief Ranger Roberge as president of the judges' committee, distributed the prizes to the winners.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

A very pleasant birthday party was given Miss Mary Urquhart at the home of the Misses Bughee, 62 Grove street, last evening. A pleasing musical entertainment of piano solos by Miss Hutchinson, violin solos by Mr. Hutchinson and many other features served to make it a success. Miss Urquhart received many nice presents from her friends. The affair was in charge of Misses Florence and Bertha Bughee. After partaking of an elaborate collation the party broke up at 11.30, well pleased with their evening's entertainment.

RELIANCE LODGE, O. S. B.

Reliance Lodge, No. 2, O. S. B., held its installation of officers last evening. Lady Elvira E. Gladwin, P. C., grand installing officer, acting grand marshal, Lady Annette L. McKissock, W. P. C.; G. V. C., Lady Pauline E. Smith of Brookline; grand scribe, Lady Kate J. Tilton; grand chaplain, Lady Georgie Levy; inside sentinel, Lady Dunkee of Littleton.

The officers installed were: Sir Guy J. Campus, commander; Lady Elizabeth Dole, vice commander; Lady Emma J. Richardson, scribe; Lady Annette C. Frisbee, treasurer; Lady Rebecca J. Campus, accountant; Lady Susan A. Scott, chaplain; Lady Emma G. Greenleaf, marshal; Lady Ellen Jones, inside sentinel; Lady Alice Stuart, outside sentinel; Ladies Kate J. Tilton, Lilla Holman, aids to commander; Lady Georgie Levy, aid to vice commander.

The past commander's degree was conferred upon the retiring commander, Sir Henry C. Flanders, by Lady Gladwin, the installing officer. Ladies McKissock, Tilton and Sir H. C. Flanders were appointed auditing committee.

WORKED OVERTIME

STREET DEPARTMENT WORKED UNTIL 10 O'CLOCK LAST NIGHT.

The 700 men employed by the street department worked up to ten o'clock last night and this morning 25 additional men were put to work. The entire force will work tonight until ten o'clock.

IN POLICE COURT

Today's Session a Very Short One

Today's police court session was shorter than pie crust. Three drunken offenders, including one woman, were fined $2 each. Alphonse Morin for drunkenness was fined $6 and Michael McNulty was taxed $3. The case of John J. Walsh, charged with drunkenness and non-support, was continued to tomorrow. He was ordered in the sum of $200.

FOR PNEUMONIA

NO CURE IS KNOWN SAYS EMINENT CHEMIST.

CHICAGO, Jan. 28—Drug treatment is useless in cases of pneumonia. The medical profession, so far as medicines are concerned can be of no assistance in the fight against this disease. The sooner the profession will acknowledge this to the public and set to work to discover some specific to save pneumonia patients the better for all concerned.

This startling statement by Dr. Arthur D. Bevan, who stands high in the profession, has stirred up the members of the Chicago medical society at their meeting. Several sprang to their feet to protest against this arraignment. All had to admit, however, that there is no definite remedy known and then based their protests only on the contention that they might influence the patient favorably by easing him somewhat and by the moral effect of their presence.

REPUBLICAN EDITORS

WILL ENJOY AN EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Jan. 28—The republican editors of New York state are to have a unique midwinter excursion to Washington and, largely through the courtesy of Senator Depew, will have placed at their disposal by the Pennsylvania railroad Pullman cars to take them from Jersey City to Washington and back, leaving Jersey City on the morning of Thursday, Feb. 4. On the evening of that day they are to attend a joint session of the national republican editorial convention at the Arlington hotel, which is to be addressed by ex.-Gov. Black, Senators Depew and Platt and Gov. Odell. The editors and their families are then invited to the congressional reception at the white house and on the following evening will be entertained by Senator and Mrs. Depew and will also make a call in the afternoon on President Rosevelt. The party will include over 50 of the representative editors of the republican daily and weekly newspapers of this state with the Hon. W. A. Smyth of the Owego Times, president of the association, at their head.

DAWSON CONVICTED

GETS DEATH SENTENCE FOR MURDERING GIRL.

PARIS, Mo., Jan. 28—Frank Dawson has been convicted of murdering Anna Hartman and sentenced to be hanged March 17. Dawson killed Miss Hartman as the result of a broken engagement. The tragedy occurred at a dance six weeks ago. Dawson belongs to a prominent family.

MRS. ROOSEVELT INVITED.

BOSTON, Jan. 28—The executive committee of the National Woman's Relief Corps has invited Mrs. Roosevelt, wife of the president, to be their guest at the national encampment of the corps which will be held here in connection with the national encampment of the G. A. R., next summer. The G. A. R. committee already has invited the president to be a guest at that time.

SOME CODICES SAVED.

ROME, Jan. 28.—It is impossible to ascertain the number of volumes destroyed during the fire which occurred at the University library, Turin, the most famous in Italy, Jan. 26. Some of the papers say 100,000 volumes were burned and others assert that only 10,000 were consumed. The fire practically lasted 24 hours and it seems certain that 3000 volumes of Greek, Latin and other codices have been lost as well as the precious Venetian collection of books from the library of Cardinal Della Revere.

The codices from the celebrated Bobbio abbey appear to have been saved, as was the Incunabula collection.

THE STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The stock market opened irregular. Amal. Copper, 50 ex div.; Atchison, 70¼; Baltimore & Ohio, 85¾ @ 85½. Brooklyn Transit, 49⅝, Canadian Pacific 119⅛ Erie 28½, do first pfd. 69⅝, Louisville 107⅞, Missouri Pacific 94⅛, Norfolk & Western 62⅝, Ontario & Western 24½, Penna. 122¼, Reading 47⅜, Rock Island 25⅝, Sugar 129¾, St. Paul 146¼, Southern Pacific 51½, Southern Railway 23, Texas Pacific 27¼, United States Steel 11½, do. pfd. 57⅜, Wabash pfd 40½.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Cotton futures opened strong. Jan. 15.30, Feb. 15.35, March 15.56, April 15.71, M 15.80, May 15.97, June 15.89, July 15.98, Aug. 15.23, Sept. 14.15, Oct. 13.00.

TO RAISE COAL BARGES.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 28—The eight coal laden barges which went down in Long Island Sound off Penfield Reef Tuesday have been located and an effort will be made to raise them. The barges were being towed from New York by the tug E. Luckenbach when they were lost during a storm.

GERMANY'S IMPORTS.

BERLIN, Jan. 28.—The statistical office estimates Germany's imports during 1903 at $1,574,750,000, an increase of $123,250,000 and the exports at $1,273,750,000, an increase of $70,500,000 over the figures of 1902.

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FIVE YEARS MORE

For Burglars Who Beat a Jailer

SACO, Me., Jan. 28.—Three hours of liberty which Joseph Bradley and John Nagle, convicted burglars, gained by overpowering Guard Murphy and escaping from the city jail last night, cost them five years each in state prison. Charles Chasse, for his part in the escapade will serve two years in the state prison at Thomaston instead of one year in Alfred jail.

The three men who were recaptured at Kennebunk at one o'clock this morning, exhausted and suffering severely from cold, as a result of their thirteen mile flight over the snow covered highways, were brought to the police station here this forenoon. Upon the arrival of the county attorney and Justice Spear of the Supreme court, who tried the men and sentenced them yesterday, it was decided that they were still within the jurisdiction of the court and that they be re-sentenced immediately. Just before ten o'clock they were led to the supreme courtroom, the sentences previously imposed withdrawn and all three of the men sent to state prison for longer terms. In moving for sentence, County Attorney Emery said that he considered Bradley and Nagle the leaders in the movement and he would therefore ask the court to deal severely with them. He could not but feel, however, that Chasse has been easily led, and despite his youth he felt compelled to ask that his sentence to one year in Alfred jail be changed to two years in state prison. Chasse, who is 17 years of age, had been sentenced to one year in Alfred jail for larceny. Bradley and Nagle were to have been taken to Thomaston today to serve one year for burglary.

Guard Murphy, who was severely beaten by the burglars and locked in a cell before they escaped last night, had fully recovered today.

CHILDREN DEAD

Three Were Suffocated in a Fire

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Three children, Sarah Cohen, 9 years old, Louis Cohen, 7 years old and Meyer Cohen, 2 years old, were suffocated here today in a fire in a six-story tenement on Madison street. Louis Cohen, the janitor and father of the children, started to thaw out some pipes and a small fire resulted. There was considerable excitement among the 24 families occupying the buildings, but no others were injured.

NOT ARRESTED

BUT LIEUTENANT HAS LIVELY TALK WITH MINISTER HARDY.

MADRID, Jan. 28—The report published by a news agency in the United States yesterday that a lieutenant of cavalry has been sentenced to a month's imprisonment for insulting United States Minister Hardy as the latter was going to the palace to attend a diplomatic reception is incorrect. The facts in the case are that during a recent reception at the palace by the king a detachment of cavalry commanded by a lieutenant was directed to supervise the arrival of the carriages in the courtyard of the palace. The lieutenant had a lively discussion with Minister Hardy concerning the place at which his carriage should await him. The discussion had no serious consequences. The statement that the lieutenant was arrested is untrue.

SMALL-POX

DOCTORS INVESTIGATING THE CAUSE OF IT.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 28—Drs. E. E. Tyzer and W. R. Brinkerhoff, who have been assisting Dr. W. T. Councilman, the famous bacteriologist of Harvard university, in recent experiments into the causes of small-pox, will leave for Manila at once to continue work there along the lines pursued at Harvard. Funds for the undertaking have been provided by popular subscription and it is planned that the doctors shall remain at least a year in the Philippines. While the investigations will deal mainly with small-pox, other tropical diseases which are likely to be brought to this land through growing intercourse with the islands will be considered, also with a view of preparing American physicians for their treatment.

BRINGS PICTURE OF POPE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28—Among the passengers who arrived on the steamer Majestic from Liverpool and Queenstown were J. Pierpont Morgan, Jr., and family; Capt. W. A. Adams of the Fifth Lancers, British army, on his way to Japan; A. R. Parker, secretary to the admiral of the China station, British navy; Lieut. H. E. Rathbone, of the royal engineers; Miss Mabel Choate, daughter of Ambassador Choate; Capt. A. K. Graves; Henry J. Thaddeus, a painter, who brings his picture of the pope, and Humphrey Berkeley.

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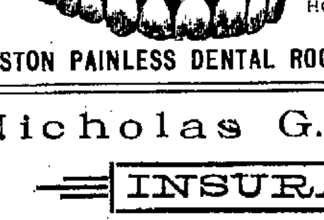

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SWEPT BY FIRE

Great Blaze at North Tonawanda Station

SEVERAL FIRMS ARE HEAVY LOSERS

The Loss Will Be About $200,000

NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y., Jan. 28.—Half a square mile of glowing embers was all that remained of a large lumber yard in North Tonawanda early today, after a most serious fire. All of the north end of Tonwanda island was swept by the flames. Between 12 and 15 million feet of lumber valued at a quarter of a million dollars were destroyed. The heaviest loser is the firm of White, Rider & Frost, whose loss is $225,000.

Other firms who suffered are W. W. Tyler & Co., and the Lee Lumber Co. The fire started in a large frame building in the White, Rider & Frost's yard, about midnight. The building was used as a storehouse for high grade lumber and the interior was a mass of flames when the first of the help from these places arrived.

Appeals for assistance were sent at once to Buffalo, Niagara Falls, and Lockport. Hundreds of thousands of feet of lumber were burned before help from these places arived.

The north end of the island was occupied by the White, Rider & Frost company. Adjoining their yards were those of Silverthorne & Co. A narrow alleyway and a spur of railroads separated the two places. It was here that the combined fire forces of the four cities made their stand. The north end of the island was abandoned to the flames. All the men available were set to work removing piles of lumber, to make a clear passageway across the island from east to west. The work was completed by 7 o'clock, just as the hurricane of flame reached the cleared space. Hugh piles of blazing lumber fell at intervals sending showers of sparks and cinders that spread among the highly inflammable soft lumber. There was no wind and by 9 o'clock the danger of further spread of the flames was past. Insurance agents estimated the loss at 6 o'clock this morning, at $200,000. After that hour several hundred thousand feet of high grade lumber burned. A quarter of a million dollars is probably a conservative estimate of the loss. The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin. The watchman who gave the first alarm found oil soaked burning waste in three different places. Early in the evening a small blaze of the same material was extinguished by three watchmen without calling out the department. J. A. Buch, a lumber merchant from Reading, Pa., who was in the offices of the Silverthorne company soon after the fire broke out, said:

"It appeared to be the belief among the lumbermen early today that the fire was of incendiary origin. While I was standing in the office a watchman brought in a large amount of oil soaked waste, which he had found under lumber piles. There was considerable talk about disgruntled employes."

Nearly 20 vessels were tied up to the docks when the flames broke out, but all of them were saved.

GIFT FROM QUEEN

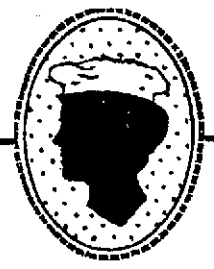
WAS PRIZED BY MRS. MARY TREDWAY.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Mary Tredway, friend and companion of the late Queen Victoria, is dead at her home in Chester, N. J., at the age of 94. She was Miss Mary Williamson and her father was royal physician to the family of George IV and to Victoria after her ascension to the throne. The girl married a clergyman against her father's wishes and came with him to the United States. She was cut off from participation in the estate but prized to the day of her death a silk dress given her by the queen.

TYPHOID FEVER

THERE ARE 560 CASES IN COLUMBUS.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 28.—Since Jan. 1, 560 cases of typhoid fever have been reported in Columbus and there have been 19 deaths from the disease. The largest number reported for a single day was 48 today. The health authorities claim the prevalence of the disease is due to contamination of the water.



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WRIGHT'S DEATH

Poison Found in His Stomach

CLOSING CHAPTER OF THE TRAGEDY

The Story of His Last Moments

LONDON, Jan. 28.—"Suicide" was the verdict passed by the coroner's jury today in the closing chapter of the tragedy of Whitaker Wright. His death was caused by poisoning by cyanide of potassium. The jury found that Wright was perfectly sane and that there was not the slightest doubt that his death was due to most deliberate suicide. From the evidence at the inquest it was shown that Wright had determined to take his own life in the event of an adverse verdict and that he went to court with a cyanide tabloid in his possession while in his hip pocket was a new revolver fully loaded and even cocked. After the sentence Wright went to the lavatory while the tipstaff in attendance on him remained ouside. There he swallowed the tabloid, returned to the consulting room, washed down the poison with whiskey and water and died. One of the last things Wright said was:

"This is British justice."

The coroner's court at Westminster was so crowded that Whitaker Wright, Jr., son of the dead man, had to stand up throughout the proceedings. He and other witnesses bore out the facts already cabled. Neither the son nor the deceased's closet friends, so they testified today, ever heard Wright even intimate that he contemplated suicide. His solicitor, George Lewis, Jr., said the deceased all along implicitly believed that he would be acquitted or that at the worst he only contemplated a disagreement of the jury. Even after his sentence Wright showed only indignation.

In talking with Mr. Lewis Eyre, one of his sureties, and Mr. Waters, the accountant of the London and Globe corporation, Wright said:

"I really think I am the most composed of you all."

As regards an appeal Wright said he would do exactly as he was advised. Asked if someone had not better telephone the verdict to Mrs. Wright, Wright said:

"No. There is plenty of time for that."

Taking out his watch and chain Wright handed them to Mr. Eyre, saying:

"I shall not have any use for those in that place," meaning the prison. "I give it to you, Eyre. Keep it for me."

This was all that occurred.

After Wright had taken the poison, holding a glass in his hand and still sipping its contents, he said:

"Waters, give me another cigar."

Mr. Waters took up Wright's cigar case which was lying upon a table and Wright deliberately cut the end of a cigar and struck a match. Just as he was going to light the cigar Wright flung the match from him, sank back unconscious and died without uttering another word.

The doctor who was called in to attend Wright said he had not detected any smell or sign indicating poison; but the official analyst, Dr. Freyberger, who conducted the post mortem examination, testified that from every organ of the body exuded the peculiarly penetrating odor of prussic acid and that there was not the slightest doubt that Wright's death was due to that poison, in its cyanide of potassium form. The deceased had not suffered from any other disease, there were no lesions of the brain and the heart was healthy, though twice the normal size.

It transpired at the inquest that Wright was only searched after his death. A tabloid found in his pocket did not appear to be poisonous. The revolver was discovered by the police after the law court officials had previously searched Wright. The coroner commented on this and indicated that action would probably be taken by the higher authorities.

The funeral of Whitaker Wright has been arranged for Saturday morning at the church at Witley, Surrey, his former country home.

PROVING ALIBI

BEHR'S MOTHER PRESENTS EVIDENCE TO POLICE.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 28.—Harry Behr's mother last night presented to the police an affidavit from Louis Vacaro, a saloon-keeper, in which oath is made that Behr who is under arrest in connection with the Bedford, Ind., murder mystery, was in Vacaro's saloon during the early evening of Jan. 21, the night that Miss Schaefer was killed. A Chinaman also has been found who states that Behr was at his place on Main street Tuesday night, Jan. 19.

THE CLARK SPECIAL

IS CERTAIN TO BREAK ALL RECORDS.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 28.—The Charles W. Clark special train on the Santa Fe railroad, consisting of an engine, day coach and a Pullman, passed through Kansas City at 3.26 o'clock this morning, six minutes late without stopping.

H. L. Tucke, a relative of Mr. Clark, went from Kansas City to Argentine, Kan., on an engine and entered the sleeper there. He will go to New York with the train. Mr. Tucke will notify Mr. Clark of his wife's death within the next few hours. Mr. Clark was sitting at an open window when the special went through here. The run from Albuquerque, N. M., to La Junta, Colo., 347 miles, was made in eight hours. This is 38 minutes faster than was made by the Lowe special over the same division last August. All this was through the mountainous districts of New Mexico and Colorado. On reaching the Kansas prairies all previous records were left behind.

The run of 135 miles to Topeka was made in two hours and 45 minutes. Local Santa Fe officials say all past records will be broken and that the run from Albuquerque to Chicago will be made in less than 30 hours.

When the train arrived in Kansas City, Mr. Clark was ignorant of the fact that he had already lost his race against death. An effort was made by a reporter to board the train but this was not permitted. Mr. Luke preferring to break the news after the train had left here. The Santa Fe system was thrown open and every other train was side-tracked for the run of the special.

GAS COMPANIES

Eleven are Charged With Violating the Law

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—The gas commissioners of Massachusetts have referred to Attorney General Parker the names of 11 gas light companies in the state which the commissioners allege have violated chapter 464 of the revised laws, which provides as to the quality of gas which must be distributed to consumers. The statute declares that if the gas of any company is found upon three inspections or upon three inspections made within a period of 30 V days to give less light than 16 standard English candles, or to contain more than 20 grains of sulphur or 10 grains of ammonia per hundred cubic feet of gas or any sulphuretted hydrogen a fine of $100 shall be paid by such company to each city or town which it supplies with gas. The Pittsfield Coal Gas Co. is reported as having violated the law with respect to the candle power, sulphur and hydrogen and the People's Gas Co. of Stoneham with respect to the sulphur and hydrogen. The other companies complained of are those in Arlington, Attleboro, Brockton, Marlboro, Chelsea, North Attleboro, Malden, Melrose, Athol and Cambridge.

Attorney General Parker has notified the solicitors of the municipalities and towns in which the companies are located, to collect the fines which the law imposes.

JENKINS BEATEN

Gotch Disposed of the Champion Wrestler

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Jan. 28.—In what was probably the hardest fought wrestling match in the history of wrestling in this country, Frank A. Gotch of Humbolt, Ia., has demonstrated before 5000 persons that Tom Jenkins of Cleveland, Ohio, who has retained the title for six years is no match for him in fastness or science, although Gotch's fast work possibly caused Jenkins to appear to unusual disadvantage. At the end of the first bout Jenkins' seconds had to carry him to his corner and administer restoratives.

In the second bout, preferring to lose on a foul rather than go down Jenkins obtained the barred strangle hold. When Gotch got away Jenkins aimed a vicious swing that had it landed would have knocked him out. The referee jumped between the men who continued lunging at each other until the ring was cleared. The former champion did not seem to solve Gotch's leg work and when he lost the first fall it was after Gotch had felled him four times to the floor and rendered him helpless.

The match was for a $2,000 purse and a $2,000 side bet. Gotch weighed 190 pounds at the ringside and Jenkins 210.

BEEF FOR RUSSIAN ARMY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 28—Three special freight trains have just arrived here from Kansas City and Omaha with a large quantity of mess beef destined for the Russian army in the Orient. They contained over 3,000,000 pounds of beef. The trains came west on fast time in order to catch a steamer. The shipment is to be split in two on the other side, half going to Port Arthur and the remainder to Vladivostock.

WAS OLDEST SOLDIER.

MILLERSBURG, Ohio, Jan. 28.—Caleb Thorpe, believed to have been the oldest soldier in the civil war, is dead at the age of 108. He was past 60 when he enlisted. His widow is 101 years old.

HAPPY MOTHER'S TOUCHING STORY

Of Baby's Dreadful Suffering from Eczema.

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"A terrible rash broke out on Charlie's poor little face and spread to his neck, chest and back. I had never seen anything quite like it before," writes Mrs. Helena Rath of 821 10th Ave., N. Y. City. "The skin rose in little lumps, and matter came out. My baby's skin was hot, and how he did suffer. He wouldn't eat, and night after night I walked the floor with him, weak as I was. Often I had to stop because I felt faint and my back throbbed with pain. But the worst pain of all was to see my poor little boy burning with those nasty sores. At last I was persuaded by a friend across the street to try the Cuticura Remedies. She gave me some Cuticura Ointment—I think the box was about half full—and a piece of Cuticura Soap. I followed the directions, bathing Charlie and putting that nice Ointment on the sores. Little by little, but so surely, Charlie and I both got more peace by day and more sleep by night. The sores sort of dried up and went away, and now Charlie is cured completely."

"Yes, that fat little boy by the window is Charlie, and his skin is as white as a snow flake, thanks to the Cuticura Remedies. I think everybody should know about the Soap and Ointment, and if it is going to help other mothers with sick babies, go ahead and publish what I have told you."

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Send for "All About the Skin, Scalp and Hair."

SUSPECT DRAPER

Believed He is for Hanna

BOSTON, Jan. 28—The Hon. Edwin U. Curtis, ex-mayor of Boston, and now metropolitan park commissioner, has been added to the slate of republican delegates-at-large from Massachusetts to the national convention. Two of the delegates-at-large will be Senator Henry Cabot Lodge and ex-Gov. W. Murry Crane, and inasmuch as the republicans of Boston feel that one of the delegates should be taken from this city, and Mr. Curtis seems to be generally acceptable to them, it is said on good authority to be agreed that he can have one of the four places if he desires it. Mr. Curtis last night declined to express himself for publication, but it is known that he now has the matter under consideration, and as his presence on the delegation would be perfectly agreeable to Senator Lodge and ex-Gov. Crane, and, it is believed, to republicans generally, it is probable that in view of such unanimity of sentiment he would not decline the place.

This leaves one place among the delegates-at-large to be filled, and for that there may be some strife. Among the names mentioned have been those of Gen. William F. Draper of Hopedale, Gov. Bates, Lieut.-Gov. Guild, Col. E. C. Benton of Belmont and ex-Gov. John D. Long. Gov. Bates cannot go, if for no better reason than that no one can be certain that the legislature will not be in session on June 21, the date the national convention is to assemble; moreover, it has never been customary to send governors while in office to the national convention, and no one has advanced a reason why this rule should be broken in behalf of Gov. Bates. Lieut.-Gov. Guild was a delegate-at-large in 1896 and naturally would not wish to go again now to the exclusion of some one else. Gen. Draper is under suspicion of having become, during his residence in Washington inoculated with Hannaism, which appears to be contagious in the atmosphere of the capital city. At any rate, he is believed to be not much of a Roosevelt enthusiast as it seems meet and proper for all good Massachusetts republicans to be. This fact, it is being said, has practically prevented him from being considered by the slate makers.

FOR BLACKMAIL

ENGLISH COACHMAN ARRAIGNED IN CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 28.—James Tilbury, the English coachman accused of blackmailing Mrs. Hollis M. Thurston, a wealthy West side society woman, was placed on trial yesterday. He declared that Mrs. Thurston proposed that he should go away until she secured a divorce from her husband, when she would join him. He denied having demanded money and said the $12,500 was offered freely by Mrs. Thurston. "James, if you want to save me, you must go away," he testified Mrs. Thurston said to him. "Reports have been circulated that Mr. Thurston has left me on your account. You have letters I wrote to you and I will give you $12,500 for them and start you in the automobile business. When I get a divorce I will come to you." While claiming to have received 250 letters from Mrs. Thurston, Tilbury did not produce them in court. He testified that the letters were left in his rooms at the Tilbury residence when he was arrested. A court officer was sent to search for them, but was unable to discover any trace of the alleged tender missives.

Mrs. Thurston was the first witness heard. She told how Tilbury entered her employ, and how, after she had warned him about talking about her, he had sought an interview with her. According to her testimony, she met him in her house and he said: "Mrs. Thurston, I have made up my mind to leave you on Monday, and I want $3500 for letters and photographs that I have in my possession." She added: "He drew a revolver and said, 'I want the money at once or I will kill you.'" She recounted how Tilbury had said a newspaper publisher had offered him for the letters in his possession $10,000, a life job and 10 per cent. of the sale of papers containing the letters. She then told of the plan to trap Tilbury and its outcome. The 12 $1000 and five $100 bills required by him were identified and shown to the jury. The case probably will be concluded today.

MINE DISASTER

Four Killed in a Mine Shaft

BROWNSVILLE, Pa., Jan. 28.—While a number of laborers were being lowered into the new shaft of the Friar Hill Coal Co., near here today, the cage broke and fell to the bottom, 800 feet below. Four men are reported dead and a number injured.

NARROW ESCAPE

GIRL CAME NEAR BEING DECAPITATED.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 28.—Kate Maguire, an employe of the Vesta Knitting company, narrowly escaped decapitation yesterday afternoon, being for 10 minutes in a most perilous situation. She leaned over the gate extending across an opening in an elevator well. Before she could draw back she was caught by the descending car, which held her neck against the top of the gate, which quickly shut off her wind and made her unconscious. Fortunately the car had a patent stop motion which worked perfectly, preventing the girl's death. By lifting the car and tearing the gate apart, other employes rescued her and two physicians worked hard until Miss Maguire was restored to consciousness. Beyond painful contusions and shock, she escaped injury.

KILLED BY EXPLOSION

MEN DIED AS IF SHOT THROUGH HEART.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 28.—At 3 o'clock this morning seven bodies were taken from the Harwick mine, making the number of recovered dead 78. James Roderick, chief of the state department of mines, says:

"The explosion was undoubtedly caused by the accumulation of fire damp. This is a fact and not a theory."

Inspector F. W. Cunningham, who is in charge of the mine, says:

"Every man in the mine was killed by an explosion of fire damp. They died much as if shot through the heart."

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

UNUSUAL CASE

Woman Claims to be Officer's Wife

MANCHESTER, N. H., Jan. 28—An unusual story has developed through the arrest of a woman, calling herself Rose Heath, who was found one day last week wandering about the city in a demented state. She is now in the insane asylum at Concord. While at the police station the woman said she was the wife of a Boston patrolman of station 12, but that she and her husband had not lived together for some time. She said they had one child.

The day after she was taken to the asylum Patrolman Heath of the Boston police force called at the police station and said he was in search of a woman named Rose Fordham or Heath. He said that he was not the woman's husband, but was the victim of a singular circumstance, and had come to Manchester to clear up the matter if possible.

Patrolman Heath said that a few months ago he began to receive letters from a woman in Boston who signed herself first as Rose Fordham and later as Heath. Two or three letters came later from the Taunton insane asylum. One day Heath was called to his captain's office and was shown a letter from the woman. The writer declared that she and another woman, whom she called Maggie, met two patrolmen in uniform on Compton street in Boston one night, both women being employed at the time in a restaurant on that street. The Fordham woman wrote that she "kept company" with one of the policemen, who gave his name as Heath of station 12, and that after a time she went to Rutland, Vt., where a child was born.

Heath said he hunted up the woman called Maggie and she told him that the policeman whom the women had met were in uniform. She also told him that the Fordham woman was in Manchester.

Heath declares that he has not worn a uniform for nine years, being a special officer at station 12, and that some other patrolman appropriated his name. Heath went from here to Concord to see the woman, but the Manchester police have heard nothing further from him since.

The Fordham woman, it is understood, has been in this country about two years, coming here from Ireland. For a time she was at work in Boston, after which she was confined in the asylum in Taunton. She was discharged from that institution and went from there to Rutland. She came to Manchester from Vermont.

JOHN DILLON M. P.

Must Take a Prolonged Vacation

DUBLIN, Jan. 28.—John Dillon has gone to the south of Italy under his doctor's orders and will not return to Ireland or engage in politics for four months. In a farewell letter to John Redmond, Mr. Dillon wrote that it was consoling to know that the Irish party would not allow the question of Irish freedom to be dislodged from the front place by any other political question.

JULY COTTON

WAS SOLD AT 16 CENTS A POUND.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—July cotton sold at 16 cents a pound on the New York exchange today. A few years ago the price ranged between 6 and 8 cents. The market opened strong at an advance of 7 a 23 points on heavy buying of a more or less general character, that was induced by the sensational advances in the Liverpool market, where prices at one time were 23 a 25 points higher. As the market worked upward liquidation became increasingly heavy but with New Orleans buying here room short covering and outsiders buying the advance was not checked until March had reached 15.64, May 15.50 and July 16 cents, a net advance of 25 a 26 points. Following this the market eased off a few points, ruling very nervous.

TO REGULATE IMMIGRATION.

MEXICO CITY, Mex., Jan. 28.—Marcus Braun, bearing credentials from Sec. Cortelyou of the department of commerce and labor of the United States, has arrived here. His mission is to effect an arrangement between the governments whereby European immigration into this country and the northern republic may be regulated on a common basis. One of the principal features of this arrangement will be a proposal that Mexico allow the United States to station immigration inspectors at all of the ports of this country. Experience has proved that inspectors at the border have been unable successfully to cope with the problem of keeping out such persons as the United States has forbidden to enter the country.

TO STOP PRICE CUTTING.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The union-made garment manufacturers of America have closed their annual convention here after re-electing President H. S. Peters of Dover, N. J. A resolution to eliminate jobbers from the business by selling directly to retailers was favored by a number of members in order to stop price cutting but the delegates agreed that they were not yet prepared to undertake the distribution themselves and the matter went over.

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This New Remedy works like Magic, but is absolutely harmless. Weigh yourself before taking.

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Velour Blouse Coats, that were $15 to $30, this sale $5.00 to $12.50

Cloth Jackets. 40c on the Dollar

$12.50 Winter Jackets.....This sale, $5.00
$15.00 Winter Jackets.....This sale, $6.00
$20.00 Winter Jackets.....This sale, $8.98

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At $8.98, $10.98, $12.50, $15, to Close

EACH SUIT WORTH DOUBLE.

Fur Scarfs, Boas and Muffs

All have received terrific cuts. Near Seal Jackets just one-half price.

COLORED SILK WAISTS.

25 Colored Silk Waists that sold for $5 to $7.50, this sale..$2.50

20 Striped French Flannel Waists that were $3.50, this sale $1.98

Cloth and Velvet Capes, just 50 on the dollar.

WALKING SKIRTS.

$2.00 Ladies' and Misses' Walking Skirts..... 98c
$5.00 Walking Skirts..... $2.98
$3.50 Children's Garments.. $1.75
$6.00 Children's Garments.. $2.98
$10.00 Children's Garments. $4.98

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10 on 1 package 14c Cero Fruto.
5 on 1 package 10c Presto.
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50 on 1 lb 50c Baking Powder.
30 on 1 lb. 50c Tea.
10 on 1 lb. 20c Coffee.
5 on 1 lb. 15c Butterine.
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5 on 1 package 14c Cero Fruto.
3 on 1 package 10c Presto.

BEST TEAS OF ALL KINDS.

Challenge Milk.....3 cans for 25c
Peas.....3 cans for 25c
Tomatoes.....9c, 3 cans for 25c
Strawberries.....12c a can
Pears.....10 a can
Mince Meat.....8c a package
Best Round Steak.....3 lbs. for 25c
Best Roast Pork.....10c a lb
Best Sirloin and Rump Steak.....18c lb
Best Leg of Lamb.....12c

TRY OUR BUTTERINE.

Best Butterine Made.

Prints.....15c a lb
Tubs.....From 11c a lb up

BEHEADED BODIES

Mob Stuck the Heads on Poles

THEN PARADED STREETS OF MOROCCO

Threatened to Destroy the Jewish Quarter

TANGIER, Morocco, Jan. 28—Morocco city has been the scene of serious disturbances in consequence of the government's attempt to force the circulation of new and unpopular copper coins, on which it placed an artificial value and which it refused to receive in payment of taxes. Business was paralyzed, provisions became scarce and starvation was threatened. A mob therefore rose and first attacked the Christian cemetery, lately given by sultan to foreign missions, burned down the gates, desecrated the graves, exhumed the bodies, cut off their heads and paraded the town with the heads stuck on poles. The rioters proceeded to the Jewish quarter with the object of destroying it, but they found the gates closed and strongly guarded. The Jews were panic-stricken until they found that the protection of the authorities was effective. The rabble subsequently looted the jewelry shops, robbing and wounding many Jews. The governor attempted to quell the disturbance, but he was stoned, pursued and obliged to seek refuge in the palace. The authorities finally induced the rioters to withdraw on the promise to temporarily withdraw the obnoxious coins.

TRIED TO ESCAPE

PRISONERS SAWED THROUGH BARS OF STEEL.

BALLSTON, N. Y., Jan. 28.—Charles F. Hahr, awaiting trial on an indictment for grand larceny in second degree, made an unsuccessful attempt to break jail here last night, with the aid of George Rosier and Clarence Stark, two young jail mates awaiting trial on charges of burglary. They sawed through the bars of steel in the cell and set fire to a mattress in an adjoining cell expecting to overpower the jailer when he came to put out the fire, secure the keys, and escape. The officials refused to be drawn into the trap and after the mattress had burned out secured the three men in separate cells. The officials believe they know who furnished the saws to Hahr. Hahr is also wanted by the police in New York, Springfield, Mass., and elsewhere. He had been supplied plentifully with funds by a brother.

JUDGE EMMONS

ORDERS POOL AND BILLIARD ROOMS CLOSED AT MIDNIGHT.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—Chairman Emmons of the police commission has issued an order that all pool and billiard rooms in the city shall be closed at midnight. Previously such places have been permitted to remain open until 2 a.m. The police also have been ordered to watch billiard and pool rooms where it is alleged young men who have been frequently arrested and sent to penal institutions for serious crimes have gathered. Under the new ruling the presence of such persons will be considered sufficient reason for revoking the license of a place. Betting on games also is prohibited.

MARRIED TO A TEACHER.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Jan. 28.—J. E. Dunning, manager of the Portland, Me., publishing company, was married here today at noon to Isabel Backus, a teacher in the mechanics institute. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Rob Roy Converse. The ceremony was private, both the bride and groom being unattended.

THIRTY BANKS REPRESENTED.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—Thirty banks were represented at the annual meeting of the Massachusetts co-operative bank association held here today. Boston co-operative banks were admitted to membership. The treasurer reported a balance of $193.

AGAINST COLD STORAGE BUSINESS.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 28—A bill aimed at the cold storage business was introduced in the general assembly today. It forbids the storage of any article of food for a longer period than 60 days. The object of the bill is to prevent the "cornering" of eggs, poultry and other articles of food.

DAMAGED STEAMER.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 28—A damaged steamer was reported off this port just after noon today. Her name had not been ascertained up to 1 p. m.

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The Oyster Cracker with a taste to it.

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THE ARGUMENTS

Machen Trial is Nearing an End

MOTION OF DEFENDANT'S COUNSEL OVER-RULED

Exceptions Taken by the Defense

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—When the trial of August W. Machen and others charged with conspiracy to defraud the government was resumed today, a motion by Mr. Douglass for the defense, to strike out certain evidence was over-ruled and an exception was noted. Mr. Kumler's objection to the district attorney proceeding with the case on all the indictments was also over-ruled.

Mr. Maddox in his argument for the defense, said that before the Groff fastener was patented, one-half interest in the patent was assigned to D. B. Groff. Samuel A. Groff, knowing more of the postal officials, sought to interest his friends, James E. Bell, superintendent of free delivery, and Postmaster Willett of Washington and a number of letter carriers in the fastener. A trial proved satisfactory and subsequently T. B. Marche, chief clerk of the free delivery division, called at the home of D. B. Groff and discussed the price at which the fastener could be supplied the government, a figure as high as $2 first being asked, finally being adjusted at $1.50.

Accompanying Mr. Marche when a subsequent test of the fastener was made in 1895, he said, was Dr. Lorenz, who later was strongly recommended to the Groffs by Postmaster Willett as a hustler and a good man to have with them. He said that as a result of several conferences following, Dr. Lorenz paid $500 for a one-half interest in the entire patent and received therefor 50 per cent. of the profits, the Groffs receiving 25 per cent. each. During all arrangements for the partnership between the Groffs and Dr. Lorenz, Mr. Maddox said, Machen's name had not been mentioned. There was no written contract between the Groffs and Lorenz he said. He then spoke of a letter written by Machen in June, 1899, asking one of the Groffs to come to his office.

When this was done he said Machen gave notice that the price would be reduced from $1.50 to $1.25, which action the Groffs characterized as "a high handed piece of business." Taking up the indictment Mr. Maddox said he was prepared to prove that the Groffs never offered the fastener for 75 cents.

Mr. Kumler followed and said that he would show that in 1888 the Lorenz brothers and Machen purchased eighty acres of oil property in Wood county, Ohio, later acquiring additional property. In 1889-90 he said they erected a refinery at a cost of $90,000 and undertook to put their oil on the market, but met with unexpected competition and the company was obliged to abandon refining oil. In all these operations, he said, the Lorenzs and Machen owed the National Bank of Commerce $52,000 in addition to $12,500 they owed for machinery. He then spoke of the money borrowed to pay off some of this indebtedness and said that on July 1, 1893, Dr. Lorenz came to Washington and said to Machen that if Machen would release his interest in the property together with that of Machen's uncle, he would pay Machen $25,000 and a contract and note were executed by Dr. Lorenz to pay the amount. He said the Sun Oil company finally got the property.

STOCK EXCHANGE STATEMENT.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The stock exchange authorities made the following formal statement today regarding the action of the governors in striking off the list the securities of the American Steel Foundries Co.:

"Whereas, it appears from the report of the committee on stock list, that misrepresentations of an important character relating to the financial condition of the American Steel foundries at the time of application for listing of its common and preferred stocks upon the exchange in November, 1902, were made to the committee on stock list in support of said application, therefore be it

"Resolved, that in accordance with article 33, section 4, of the constitution of the common and preferred stocks of the American Steel foundries be and hereby are removed from the list."

Under section named the governing committee is empowered to suspend dealings in the securities of any corporation previously admitted to quotation or it may summarily remove any securities in the list.

PEABODY EDUCATION FUND.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—A notable body of representative men attended a special meeting today of the trustees of the Peabody education fund. The trustees present were J. Pierpont Morgan, New York; Samuel A. Green, Massachusetts; Chief Justice Fuller, U. S. supreme court; Daniel C. Gilman, president of the Carnegie Institution; Richard Olney, Massachusetts, former secretary of state; Bishop Doane, Albany, N. Y.; Morris K. Jessup, New York; James Porter, Tennessee; William A. Courtney, South Carolina; Henderson M. Somerville, Alabama; Senator Wetmore, Rhode Island; Senator Hoar, Massachusetts, and Charles E. Fenner, Louisiana. The meeting was held behind closed doors. One of the main subjects of discussion was the report of a committee appointed at a previous meeting to consider the question of nominating a general agent with authority to act in matters now entirely reserved to the trustees. The committee consisted of Messrs. Gilman, Hoar and former Secretary of the Interior Hoke Smith. The latter was unable to be present at today's meeting.

Have You Catarrh Taint?—Here's strong evidence of the quickness and sureness of that wonderful remedy, Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder: "For years I was a victim of chronic catarrh—tried many remedies, but no cure was effected until I had procured and used Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. First application gave me instant relief, and in an incredibly short while I was absolutely cured."—James Headley, Dundee, N. Y. Sold by Falls & Burkinshaw.—13.

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RUSSIA'S REPLY

It Will be Sent to Japan On Saturday

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 28—Russia's reply to the last Japanese note probably will be dispatched on Saturday, Jan. 30. It is intimated, semi-officially, that the reply will be couched in pacific terms.

IMPERIAL COUNCIL

WILL DISCUSS QUESTIONS WITH THE CZAR.

TOKIO, Jan. 28—It is anticipated that the answer of Russia to Japan's latest note will reach Tokio not later than next Monday. Besides the intimation conveyed to Baron De Rosen, the Russian minister at the capital, that an early reply was desired, Minister Kurino at St. Petersburg called on Foreign Minister Lamsdorff and politely requested a response. Count Lamsdorff promised that the reply of his government would be delivered within a few days. It is said that the Rusian imperial council will discuss the questions involved before the czar today and if an immediate decision is reached the note may arrive in Tokio on Saturday.

Russia's response is eagerly awaited. If it should prove unsatisfactory to Japan an immediate declaration of war seems unavoidable. The Japanese feel that the entire responsibility for the outcome rests with Russia. Some doubt is expressed that Russia properly appreciates the determination and temper of the Japanese people and it seems incredible that Baron De Rosen has failed to correctly inform the government at St. Petersburg of the situation. Japan is busy perfecting a financial program. The announced plan to issue bonds and increase taxation meets with popular approval, but some objections have been made to the proposed methods of procedure as well as to the redemption plan. It is said that the final details will be settled soon.

Premier Katsura and the other members of the Japanese cabinet will entertain at dinner today a number of prominent bankers of the empire who have gathered at the capital to discuss the financial situation and assist in the perfecting of the government's plan.

Tomorrow the premier and cabinet will give a dinner to a group of millionaire financiers and President Matsuwo of the bank of Japan will give a banquet to the visiting bankers, at which Matsukata and Inoyou, former ministers of finance, will deliver addresses.

The Marquis Ito Matsukata and Gen. Yamagata, members of the imperial household finance council, had an audience with the emperor today at which it was decided that the imperial household should subscribe to the government's issue of bonds should they be issued. It was undecided, however, what amount should be taken. This will make the emperor a personal subscriber to the proposed bonds.

The government is receiving many offers for the bonds and it is said that the issue will be oversubscribed several times.

A PACIFIC ADJUSTMENT.

PARIS, Jan. 28.—U. S. Ambassador Porter had another lengthy talk with Foreign Minister Delcasse today, going over the latest phases of the Russo-Japanese situation. M. Nelidoff, the Russian ambassador, and Prince Radolin, the ambassador of Germany, called at about the same time.

The former firmly believes the czar's influence will lead to a pacific adjustment, but other officials of the embassy do not share the ambassador's views and are inclined to believe that war will result.

Prince Von Radolin, who was stationed at St. Petersburg for a long time and who is familiar with court influences, considers that the war element is likely to get the upper hand.

Government opinion here remains unchanged, the officials holding that the situation is more warlike but that it has not passed beyond the chance of diplomatic adjustment.

It can be asserted positively that France shares the view of the United States, British and other governments that no joint mediation is desirable as it would probably irritate the situation but that each power should use its influence through its own diplomatic channels towards the maintenance of peace.

GOODWIN PARDON

Hearing Before Judiciary Committee

BOSTON, Jan. 28—For the acknowledged purpose of obtaining the release from prison of Henry K. Goodwin of Lawrence, now serving a term of life imprisonment for murder, a number of Lawrence citizens and Goodwin's attorney appeared before the committee on judiciary today in support of the bill releasing on parole prisoners who have served in the civil war. Mr. Rowley, Goodwin's attorney, said that in his opinion Goodwin is being kept in jail by certain electrical companies of the state, but when pressed to bring evidence to support such a statement, Mr. Rowley said he only had a letter intimating such a condition. There was no opposition to the bill and the committee took the matter under advisement.

THE GYPSY MOTH

MORE MONEY WANTED TO FIGHT IT.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—An account of the ravages of the gypsy moth in many localities in northern Massachusetts was laid before the legislative committee on agriculture today and it was asserted that while the state had spent $11,000,000 up to 1901, the failure to carry on the work during the past two years had allowed the pest to gain such headway that the money had been practically thrown away.

The committee inspected a portion of the infected district yesterday and today the room in which the hearing was held was crowded.

The petitioners, led by the city officials of Medford, instead of asking for a direct appropriation by the state submitted a bill this year for what they claimed would be an equitable apportionment of the expense of suppressing the moth between the individual property holders, the town or city and the state.

It was City Solicitor Hallowell of Medford who made the statement that as the result of the inactivity in fighting the pest during the past three years, the 11,000,000 spent up to that time had been practically thrown into the Atlantic.

The committee also heard from the cities of Somerville, Malden, Melrose, Woburn, Waltham and Lynn and from many towns throughout the district. The opponents to the plan, and they are many, will be heard at a later day.

PLEASANT SURPRISE

SCHOONER BOHEMIA IS SAFE AT GLOUCESTER.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Jan. 28—A pleasant surprise to shipping interests here was the arrival today of the schooner Bohemia, Capt. Seeley, which was supposed to be frozen in somewhere off the coast of Newfoundland. The vessel brought 900 barrels of frozen herring. Capt. Seeley reports he left Bay of Islands, N. F., on Jan. 19 with three other schooners, the Parthia, Fernwood and A. M. Nicholson. Off Cape St. George the great ice field surrounded the little fleet and only the Bohemia succeeded in cutting her way out. Capt. Seeley knows nothing of the present condition or whereabouts of the other three vessels. He found so much ice along the coast that he was obliged to keep well out to sea during the remainder of his trip. He states that he found great ice fields way down the Nova Scotia coast, something he had never before seen in his many years of northern fishing trips.

The Fernwood was reported a few days ago as having been abandoned by her crew off Port Au Port, N. F., near Cape St. George. No tidings have been received from the Parthia, a Gloucester vessel, and the A. M. Nicholson, which hails from Bucksport, Me.

You can't expect to weave white satin with blackened hands, any more than you can expect good results from papers with a bogus circulation.

FATALLY BURNED

MANCHESTER CHILD NOT EXPECTED TO LIVE.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Jan. 28.—While in bed this morning Annie, the 9-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lydon of 204 Chestnut street, was fatally burned about the upper half of her body. She was removed to the Sacred Heart hospital. The physicians have no hope of her recovery. No reason is known for the fire.

KELLEY CONVICTED

CHARGED WITH MURDER OF HIS WIFE.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 28.—Peter Kelley, charged with poisoning his wife by the use of strychnine last October, was convicted of murder in the second degree by a jury today. Counsel for Kelley immediately gave notice of an appeal to the supreme court of errors, on the ground that Judge Wheeler erred in excluding evidence calculated to show Kelley's innocence. The state alleged that Kelley's motive was to get possession of property standing in his wife's name.

The grand jury today returned a true bill of murder in the first degree against Joseph Eardley who is held for the killing of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Elizabeth Lawrence, on Dec. 28. Judge Wheeler appointed counsel to defend Eardley who will be tried next month.

SCHOOL TEACHER

HAS RIGHT TO INFLICT BODILY PUNISHMENT ON BAD PUPIL.

AUBURN, Me., Jan. 28.—For a second time courts in Maine have decided that a school teacher has a right to inflict bodily punishment on an unruly pupil. The reiterated verdict was given today by a jury in the supreme court in the case of Prince A. Kilgore vs. Georgia M. Hartford. In which Kilgore, the father of a 14-year-old pupil, under Miss Hartford's instruction, sought to recover $1000 damages alleged to have been sustained by the boy at the hands of the defendant. After deliberating two hours the jury returned a verdict of not guilty. In instructing the jury Judge Savage, who presided, said:

"A schoolmaster has the right to inflict reasonable corporal punishment."

The case was previously heard here at the September term and a verdict of not guilty was returned. The court, however, ordered the verdict set aside and a new trial to be held.

MADE A NEW RECORD.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—A despatch received today at the Boston office of the Hamburg-American line states that the steamer Deutschland, which arrived at Naples at 8.40 a. m. today from New York, made a new record for steamships between these two cities. The distance was covered in seven days, 15 hours and 45 minutes. Several Boston people were on board.

COLDEST DAY YET.

SKOWHEGAN, Me., Jan. 28.—Today was the coldest of the winter in this section of the state. Thermometers here recorded 35 below zero while unofficial instruments at Athens and Brighton registered 36 below.

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Our Great Slaughter Sale

You buy everything at your own price, "No hot air," no exaggeration, but plain, simple truth and by big odds the greatest bargain treat in Lowell.

Follow the Wise Ones

As this sale time is limited, we will have to vacate the store on February 24th. Therefore, if you value your dollars you will call at once and take advantage of this money saving sale now going on at 124 CENTRAL STREET.

LEMKIN & CARP No. 124 Central Street

FORMERLY MERRILL'S BOOK STORE.

FROZEN TO DEATH

MAN AND HIS HORSE FOUND DEAD.

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Jan. 28.—Edwin L. Green and his horse were found frozen to death on a country cross road near Brockville. Green left home Sunday to visit his brother. His family supposed he was still there but neighbors found the body half a mile from his home. The horse was stuck in a snowbank and, in trying to extricate it, Green removed a shaft strap and the horse began kicking, crushing two of Green's ribs over the heart.

SENTENCE SUSPENDED

IN CASE OF RICHARD CARVEL, THE WALKING DELEGATE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28—Sentence was suspended today in the case of Richard Carvel, the walking delegate of the derrickmen, riggers and painters' union, who pleaded guilty to attempted extortion in collecting $900 from Thomas T. Hopper in order to prevent the calling of a strike.

OUT OF WORK

WEAVERS SAY THEY CANNOT RUN MORE LOOMS.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Jan. 28—There are now about 60 or 70 weavers out of work on account of the strike at Hargraves mill, No. 1, in this city. These weavers contend that they are unable to make the pay they should because of the fact that they are required to run more looms than is possible. The looms are equipped with an electric stop motion and there is a difference of opinion between the weavers and the management of the mill as to the number it is possible for a weaver to run. The strike of the weavers has thrown five loomfixers out of employment also. There are 14 loomfixers out at the Parker mill.

FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—A petition for a "more fitting and less dangerous celebration for the Fourth of July" and prohibiting the use of toy pistols, blank cartridges and cannon crackers, was filed today in the the legislature by the Daughters of the American Revolution. Another petition was filed prohibiting the use of boracic or salicylic acid in the preservation of food products.

CHIEF COLEMAN HERE.

Chief Coleman, of the Worcester fire department, is the guest of Chief Hosmer of the local fire department today. Chief Coleman was shown over the ruins of the Fellows building, the Odd Fellows building and St. Patrick's church.

MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—Winslow Warren was the chief speaker this afternoon at the 40th meeting of the society of the Mayflower Descendants of Massachusetts. Mr. Warren's subject was "The Cheerful Side of the Pilgrim Character."

THE COLD WAVE.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—Reports from northern New Hampshire and Maine indicate that a cold wave rolled over those sections early today. At North Weare, N. H., it was 42 below and at Skowhegan it was 36 below.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES MEET.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—The annual conference of the woman's auxiliaries of Young Men's Christian associations of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, which were opened today in this city, were attended by a large number of enthusiastic workers from the two states. After a praise service, State Secretary Armstrong gave an account of the association work, making particular mention of the efforts made by Secretary Collins, for the elevation of the United States troops in the Philippines. She spoke also of the work in late years among the industrial classes in an educational way.

CLARK TRAIN LATE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—The Santa Fe special on which was Charles W. Clark in a record breaking attempt to reach the bedside of his dying wife in New York, reached Chicago at 1.50 p. m., today. Mr. Clark had been informed of his wife's death.

The special which left Albuquerque, N. M., at 5.45 a. m., yesterday, made the trip to Chicago, 1377 miles, in 32 hours and five minutes, which is four hours and 55 minutes faster than the time of the Santa Fe's fast "California limited" and 25 minutes faster than the time of the west-bound Lowe special last August. Mr. Clark went from the station to the Auditorium and at 5.30 o'clock this afternoon he will take the Lake Shore limited for New York.

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LIVELY DEBATE

Bryan and Roosevelt Under Discussion

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—When the house convened today, Mr. Van Duzer (Nev.) sought to secure consideration of a resolution calling on the secretary of war for information as to what articles manufactured for the department are made by convict labor. Objection to its consideration on the ground that it was a privileged resolution was sustained.

By agreement general debate on the urgent deficiency bill was extended until 5 p.m. Consent was given to make the Connell-Howell election contest resolution the special order for February 9.

The house then went into committee of the whole with Mr. Towney (Minn.) in the chair and resumed the consideration of the urgent deficiency bill.

Mr. Benny (N. J.) speaking in defence of Mr. Bryan, said he did not feel hurt as he was in good company. He quoted Senator Depew as having said at a banquet in New York that no man had a right to hiss the name of W. J. Bryan. Mr. Benny said it is the republican party that is sick.

"They haven't got Dr. Hanna to say a word to help them out," he said. "He would inscribe on the shaft to the republican party at its death that its policies of 'let well enough alone,' 'stand pat' and 'we hold the ace,' killed it, with a postscript signed by Hanna, saying if the reporter had used the word 'edge' instead of 'ace,' they would have been all right."

"You brag and blow here about the great courage of the man who is now president of the United States," Mr. Benny said. "The man who is courageous is a man who dares to do right. The man who shouts a lion or a Spaniard in the back does not necessarily have to be courageous."

Mr. Bede (Mich.) began his remarks on the political question by stating that if the democrats would agree to stop abusing Mr. Cleveland he would agree to have the republicans stop abusing Mr. Bryan, saying both are working in the interest of the republican party. He created a ripple of laughter by inviting the democratic party to disband.

Mr. Roosevelt, he declared, will be triumphantly elected president, and he asked the democrats to make it unanimous. The only opposition to Mr. Roosevelt, he said, was a little bunch of populists down in Wall street. The democrats, he said, were without a leader and he advised them to get away from issues. Mr. Bede entered upon a review of the conditions existing under republican rule saying that the country could return to the situation of 1893 by disturbing present conditions.

He said the democrats seemed to fear that we are to have an empire, referring to a statement made by Mr. Bryan in his speech on that question. Empires, he said, had been driven from this continent and our people had gone away out in the Pacific and had asked Queen Lil to come off a throne.

Referring to the Panama question, he said every one wanted done that which had been done. He said every democrat in the house would vote for the treaty if they had a vote. He had heard the objection raised that the digging of the canal would permit the two oceans to combine.

The prophecy that to nominate Mr. Roosevelt for vice presidena could take him out of New York politics did not come true. He said it was proposed to stop the use of carringes by department officials and asked if anything was done to stop the president from using a free train, declaring that he had heard that a free train was placed at his disposal.

Mr. Thayer (Mass.), asked if Mr. Benny could tell why it was that Mr. Driggs was prosecuted in New York on a statute under which he could be convicted and Mr. Dietrich under a statute on which he could not be convicted.

Mr. Benny replied that it was because they wanted to catch Mr. Driggs and did not want to catch the other man. He said there will be one issue that cannot be dodged, declaring that to be: "Are the railroads to be permitted to drive one set of men out of business and make millionaires out of another set, and are they to be permitted to favor the Standard Oil Co.?"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Among the petitions presented in the senate today were one each from the boards of trade of Philadelphia and Brunswick, Ga., for the prompt ratification of the Panama canal treaty.

The joint resolution authorizing the acceptance from citizens of France of a re-production of A'anger's bust of Washington was passed.

When Mr. Morgan's resolutions calling for Minister Buchanan's letter concerning amendment to the canal treaty was laid before the senate, Mr. Morgan withdrew it, saying that he had been informed that it was the intention of the president to send the document to the senate in executive session.

The resolution of Mr. Culberson, introduced at the instance of the democratic caucus requesting the president to inform the senate whether all the correspondence relating to the construction of an isthmian canal has been sent to the senate, was taken up. Mr. Cullom objected to the resolution as too broad as to date, and on his suggestion Mr. Culberson amended it so as to limit the request to all correspondence since June 28, 1902, the date of the approval of the Spooner act.

Mr. Cullom then suggested that the resolution be further amended so as to retieve the president from the necessity of sending information to supply which would in his opinion be incompatible with the public interest. Mr. Culberson declined to accept this amendment and made a speech in support of his objection and in favor of the adoption of the resolution as it stood.

Mr. Culberson said that the resolution calls only for public documents and these, he contended, the senate is entitled to receive.

Mr. Cullom assured Mr. Culberson that whether his amendment was accepted or not "the senate will get all the information there is in the department pertinent to the general question."

Mr. Clay asked whether the senate as a part of the treaty making power has not a right to all the information bearing upon a treaty which the executive itself has.

Mr. Cullom replied that it was his opinion that the president has a right to refuse to comply with the resolution, whether the modification was inserted or not. He had no doubt, however, that the president would send every scrap of the information.

"Suppose he does not?" asked Mr. Tillman.

"Then," replied Mr. Cullom, "we will deal with the situation when it comes."

FOR ROOSEVELT

KANSAS CITY MEN ALSO FOR WALBRIDGE.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 28.—The republican convention of the Fifth Missouri district today elected two delegates and two alternates to the national convention at Chicago and instructed them to "vote and use all honorable means to secure the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt for president; also to support Cyrus P. Walbridge of St. Louis for vice-president."

FROM YESTERDAY'S LATE EDITIONS

MISKELLA'S BILL

For Municipal Ownership of Underground Conduits

Presented to Legislature by Rep. O'Brien Today—Full Text of the Bill

Lowell's fight for municipal ownership of underground conduits began today when Rep. O'Brien presented Alderman Miskella's bill to authorize the city of Lowell to construct, operate and maintain conduits.

The bill drafted by City Solicitor Hogan from material furnished him by Alderman Miskella who has made a thorough study of the question, was taken to Boston today and undoubtedly will be given a hearing at an early date.

When the hearing is held Mayor Howe, Alderman Miskella, Wire Inspector McElholm and others will appear in favor of the bill.

The bill in full is as follows:

An Act to Authorize the City of Lowell to Construct, Operate and Maintain Conduits and their Connecting Structures for Electrical Wires, Cables and Conductors.

Section 1. The city of Lowell is hereby authorized to construct, operate and maintain conduits, manholes and the necessary distributing boxes and service pipes connected therewith, in, through and under any public street, avenue or way in said city, and may compel any person, firm or corporation owning or operating electric wires, cables or conductors, over, along or across any public street, avenue or way, to place the same in such conduits and manholes in the manner hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. When such conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes have been completed, said city may at any time or times thereafter notify any person, firm or corporation owning or operating electric wires, cables or conductors, over, along any public street, avenue or way, or across any public street, avenue or way, or anypart thereof situated within the territory covered by such construction, that such conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes have been completed and are ready for use in such territory or any part thereof, and that such person, firm or corporation is required within one year from the service of such notice to remove any and all wires, cables and conductors in use by or belonging to such person, firm or corporation, over, across or along any public street, avenue or way, or any designated part thereof situated in the territory covered by such construction, and also any or any part or parts of the supporting poles or structures therefor; provided, however, that in said city no person, firm or corporation shall, except with his or its written assent, be required during the first year after the giving of such notice to remove, under the provisions of this act, more than so many of such wires, cables and conductors as may be situated in the territory provided for by the conduits constructed in or under not more than two additional miles of street or streets, and if all the wires, cables, conductors and supporting poles and structures included in such notice are not removed within one year from the date of the service of said notice, as aforesaid, then the board of aldermen of said city, with the approval of the mayor, may, without being deemed guilty of any trespass and without being held liable for any damage, forthwith cause all such wires, cables, conductors and supporting poles and structures, wherever found above ground, to be removed, and may collect all expenses of such removal from the person, firm or corporation owning or operating the same.

Sec. 3. Said city is hereby authorized at any time hereafter to acquire by purchase the ownership of conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes completed or in process of construction of any part thereof belonging to any person, firm or corporation in, through or under any public street, avenue or way in said city, at such price as may be agreed upon between the owner or owners thereof and said city. This act shall not be construed to revoke any rights heretofore granted by said city to any person, firm or corporation to lay and maintain conduits in, through or under its streets or any of them.

Sec. 4. The cost of constructing conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes, as provided in this act, may be raised by loan, or said city shall have authority to issue bonds to be denominated on the face thereof Lowell Conduit Bonds, in excess of the limit of indebtedness allowed by law to an amount not exceeding the cost of constructing such conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes, including, also, such amounts, if any, as shall be paid under the provisions of this act for the purchase of any system or systems of conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes. The principal of said bond shall be payable at a period not exceeding thirty years from the date of their issue, and they shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum; and said city may sell such bonds or any part thereof from time to time or may pledge the same for money borrowed for the above purposes. The provisions of the ninth, tenth and eleventh sections of chapter twenty-nine of the public statutes, so far as the same may be applicable, shall apply to this act.

Sec. 5. Said city may, after constructing or requiring a system of conduits for electric wires, cables and conductors, as herein provided, grant locations therein, and shall charge such rental for the use of the same and for the use of a duct or ducts therein, together with connecting manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes [illegible] the mayor and board of aldermen [illegible] said city may think proper. But such charge shall be sufficient to meet the requirements of the annual interest and sinking fund payments, together with the cost of maintenance, operation and repair of such system. Such charge, however, shall not exceed the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars per mile, annually, for each two and one-half or three inch duct.

Sec. 6. If said city uses any part of such conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes for any purpose from which it receives a revenue it shall pay a part of such rental proportionate to such use, and said city may make all reasonable regulations in the apportionment of such rental among the different persons, firms or corporations using such conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes, but no discrimination shall be made in favor or against any person, firm or corporation in the amount so charged. And said city, after due notice to the parties interested, shall have the right to discontinue, at any time, the use of any conduit or conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes constructed or acquired by it, as herein provided, without being liable in damages therefor to any person, firm or corporation having locations therein.

Sec. 7. Nothing in this act shall be construed to refer to the trolley wires of street railway companies, or to the supporting span or guard wires of such trolley wires, or to the poles used exclusively for the support of such trolley span, guard or supporting wires. Nor to long distance telephone wires. By long distance wires shall be understood any and all telephone wires connecting central distributing stations more than twenty-five miles apart.

Sec. 8. No system of conduits and manholes shall be constructed under or across any state highway by said city under the provisions of this act, until a plan of such conduits and manholes has been presented and approved in writing by the Massachusetts highway commission.

Sec. 9. Said city shall keep and maintain said system of conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes, established as herein provided, at all times in good serviceable condition and shall have the right by ordinance or by-laws, or otherwise, to make any reasonable rules and regulations not inconsistent with the law in relation to the use, maintenance, care, protection and renewal of all such conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes.

Sec. 10. All rights, powers and authorities given by this act shall be exercised by said city subject to the duties and restrictions herein contained and in such manner and by such agents, officers and servants as the mayor and board of aldermen of said city shall from time to time ordain, direct and approve.

Sec. 11. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

MATRIMONIAL

The marriage of Mr. James McMahon and Miss Della Neylon took place last evening at St. Patrick's parochial residence. The bride was attended by her cousin, Miss Margaret McGowen, and the best man was Mr. Jeremiah Kelley a cousin of the groom. After the ceremony the bridal party drove to 746 Broadway, the future home of the young couple, where a wedding reception was held. Mr. and Mrs. McMahon were the recipients of many beautiful wedding gifts. They left last evening on a wedding tour which will include a visit to New York and Philadelphia. They will be at home after March 1.

TUESDAY NIGHT CLASS.

The old "Tuesday Night" dancing class held an enjoyable social in Elvin's hall, Dutton street, last night. The affair was an invitation one and the acquaintances formed several years ago at the dancing lessons were renewed last night. Music was furnished by the Middlesex orchestra. During intermission a lunch was served.

PROBATE COURT, CAMBRIDGE.

Administrations, H. J. Gleason, Arlington; H. G. Glidden, Newton; M. J. Hopkinson, Wakefield; Dorothy Leuchte, Somerville; Susan Conant, Acton; Jane McDonald, Dracut; Edmund Percival, Cambridge; Elizabeth Haynes, Somerville; Betsey Beach, Marlboro; Gilbert Trueworthy, Lowell; Ellen Wilkins, Carlisle; Marion McDonald, Cambridge; H. P. Tuttle, Acton; E. I. Malden, Somerville; J. H. Smith, Newton; J. A. Nauss, Waltham; W. F. Hall, Ashby; Patrick Tully, Cambridge; David Casey, Watertown; C. A. Jenks, Natick.

ROLLED TO DEATH

FOREMAN WAS TRYING TO ENCOURAGE TIMID WORKERS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—James G. Goodrich, foreman on the women's home which is being built in Harrisons out of the million dollar legacy left by Mrs. Mariam Osborn, gave his life yesterday to show a gang of coppersmiths that he was not afraid to venture on the fry roof.

The men were timid about going to work, but Goodrich started out on the roof.

"Well, boys, if you're afraid, I am not," he said. "Here I go."

Just then his foot slipped. He rolled to the edge and fell 75 feet, breaking his neck. His body was badly mangled.

Goodrich leaves a widow and five children.

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY TRUSTEES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The annual meeting of the trustees of the Catholic university was held here today. Those in attendance were Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishops Ireland of St. Paul, Keane of Dubuque and Williams of Boston; Bishops Spalding of Peoria, Maes of Covington, Ky., Foley of Detroit, Horstman of Cleveland and Hankins of Providence and Messrs. Michael Jenkins, Baltimore, and Thomas E. Wagaman, Washington. There was a general discussion of plans and the work was outlined for the meeting of the trustees and of all the archbishops in the United States to be held in this city next spring.

MONSTER SEWER

To Extend Through Merrimack Valley

Rep. Muller of Lawrence today introduced in the house of representatives a bill which provides for the appointment of a commission of five members to investigate and determine the feasibility and cost of the construction of a trunk line sewer through the Merrimack valley from a point in New Hampshire to tide water. The commission has until January 15, 1905, to make its report and is authorized to contract reasonable expense for clerical work, experts, etc. The commissioners are to serve without compensation.

SIX SNOW PLOWS

USED TO CLEAR STREET RAILWAY TRACKS.

In order that the local electric cars may be running on scheduled time before long six plows are going over the different routes throughout the city clearing the snow which has fallen into the tracks since the storm. The local street railway company has been up against a tough proposition since the storm the night before last and while other cities in this vicinity are running their cars on almost any old time the local cars are but two or three minutes off their schedule.

Sleighs passing through streets where the rails are throw snow into the tracks and make the rail slippery. Then again when the sun comes out and the rail begins to sweat it makes more trouble. With all the trouble which the road has had to contend with it is overcoming it with wonderful rapidity.

LOST A FINGER

O. C. JOHNSON HURT AT AMASA PRATT'S.

O. C. Johnson, aged 62 years and residing at 102 Wannalancit street, met with a painful accident this afternoon while at work at Amasa Pratt's in Dutton street. He was at work on a buzz planer when his right hand got caught on the knife.

He was taken to the Emergency hospital where it was found necessary to amputate the little finger close to the hand, while the fourth finger of that hand was dressed.

DYING WOMAN

QUERIES POLICE RELATIVE TO THE WHEREABOUTS OF HER SISTER.

Supt. Moffatt is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Annie Ford Wood of Lynn, Mass., seeking information as to the whereabouts of her sister, Lillian Ford, who was last heard of in this city. She said that her sister married James Glynn of this city. He was a moterman. Mrs. Wood is at the Lynn city home and is very ill.

SAILORS' UNION

WILL NOT SUBMIT TO CUT IN WAGES.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—In connection with the threatened tie up of shipping from this part resulting from the decision of the vessel owners to cut sailors' wages $5 a month, the sailors union today sent a communication to the owners in which they say they will not submit to the reduction in their wages. They offer, however, the following proposition:

First, that the masters need not pay any money to the sailors during the voyage except at their option.

Second, they agree to the establishment of a board of arbitration between the carriers and the sailors.

Third, they agree to punish all those sailors whose cases have been passed upon adversely by the board of arbitration, which they suggest be appointed.

The first of these propositions is a concession to the carriers' association, inasmuch as the vessel owners for some time have wished to be relieved of the necessity of paying any part of the sailors' wages during the voyage.

The union expresses the opinion that the reduction of five dollars a month will not affect materially the profits accruing to the owners of the vessels. They submit that their concessions are certainly a set off to the proposed lowering of the wages.

FOR USE OF G. A. R.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—By the adoption of an order in the house here today, the Grand Army of the Republic will be accorded the privilege of using the hall of the house and such committee rooms in the state house as may be found necessary at the national encampment of the G. A. R., which will be held here.

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BOARD OF TRADE

Presents Tax Dispute Bill to Senate

In the senate today the petition of Charles H. Conant and others a special committee of the Lowell board of trade relating to the assessment and abatement of taxes was presented. The petition provides that when the value of property is in dispute the matter shall be referred to three appraisers to be appointed by the court.

MINE WORKERS

HAVE GIVEN $5,000 FOR MINE VICTIMS.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 28.—The United Mine Workers have voted $5,000 for the immediate relief of the families of the 180 miners killed in the Harwick mine explosion at Cheswick, Pa. The convention instructed the national executive board to obtain the services of expert mining engineers and to make a thorough investigation and to obtain information that will probably be used in movements for legislation in the various mining states to prevent mine horrors.

HELD FOR MURDER

WOMAN ENTERED INTO A SECRET MARRIAGE.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 28.—Mrs. Lulu Prince Kennedy, on trial for the murder of her husband, Philip Kennedy, collapsed in court yesterday. She had been in tears all morning, and when her mother took the stand and said the defendant had been secretly married since her former conviction, Mrs. Kennedy fainted and it was necessary to carry her from the room.

A few days before he was killed Kennedy brought suit to have the marriage set aside, alleging that Miss Prince's father and two brothers had forced him into it. Mrs. Kennedy was convicted at her first trial and was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. The supreme court recently reversed the decision.

RAYNOR IN THE LEAD.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 28.—In the joint session of the Maryland legislature today the ballot for U. S. senator resulted as follows:

Democrats, Isidor Raynor, 37; John Walter Smith 32, Bernard Carter 11, E. E. Jackson 5, Joshua Miles 4.

Republican, Louis E. McComas 37.

Sixty-four votes are necessary for election.

PAT KEEGAN HAS A SON.

Pat Keegan, the well known local bicycle rider, will soon introduce a new racing man into the game, though Pat says it will be a few years before the youngster will be able to do some of the stunts his father has done on the wheel. The new rider arrived at Keegan's house in Tilden street yesterday and weighs 11 pounds, one of the largest, if not the largest, babies ever born in this city.

WALL STREET GOSSIP.

10.10 a. m.—The opening stock market showed great irregularity within narrow limits and on a moderate volume of trading. Different members of the Penna group, the Pacifics and the iron and steel industrials moved in contrary directions. United States Steel pfd., Southern Pacific and Wabash pfd. declined ⅝. Pressed Steel Car rose ⅝ and Realty pfd. a point.

LIEUT. DABOVSKY SAILS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Among the cabin passengers who sailed on the French line steamer La Touraine today was Lieut. Col. A. D. Dabovsky of the Russian army, who has been stationed at Hong Kong and who is returning under a special order of the Russian government.

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SPECIAL NOTICES

SPECIAL THIS WEEK—$3.00 worth of Red, White and Blue Trading Stamps given with one pound of our 50c Oolong, English Breakfast or Assam Tea; $5.00 worth of any kind of Trading Stamps with one pound of our 50c tea; $3.00 worth with our 35c coffee. The Elwood Tea & Coffee Co., Davis square.

REMOVED—John J. Conlon's pool rooms have been removed from Urban hall to 27 Shattuck street.

THE FOLLOWING SAYS: That you can get a doll carriage, a go-cart or a handsome doll with a pound of tea or two pounds of coffee at Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The two o'clock and five o'clock editions of The Sun are on sale every day at both newsstands in the Union station, Boston.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Jan. 27, 1904.—The Committee on Judiciary will give a hearing to parties interested in the bill (House No. 193) relating to destroying or injuring personal property; also petition (House No. 295) of George A. Seigliano for further legislation relative to liens for labor performed and material furnished; also petition (House No. 290) of John R. Lawney for legislation to authorize the recovery of indirect damages in actions against counties, cities and towns for personal injuries, at room No. 267 State House, on Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. A. M. Tuft, Chairman. Wm. A. Kelley, Clerk of the Committee.

HELP WANTED

YOUNG MEN everywhere copy letters home evenings; $9.50 week; send addressed envelope for particulars. Manager Dept. 871, Box 1411, Philadelphia, Pa.

WOMEN to sew at home, $9 per week; materials sent everywhere free; steady work; plain sewing only; send addressed envelope for full particulars. S. D. N., Du Pont, Philadelphia, Pa.

LADIES wanted everywhere copying letters at home (evenings or spare time and return to us; no selling or canvassing; $9 weekly earned; materials free; enclose self-addressed envelope for particulars. Guarantee Co., No. 871 Ninth street, Philadelphia, Pa.

WANTED—Young man to learn the electrical business. Address C. E., this office.

WANTED—Good reliable man for the farm; one that can milk and drive team. Call at S. P. Pike's Middlesex market, 528 Middlesex street.

WANTED—An experienced housegirl for family of two. Give reference. Address Pleasant, Sun Office.

WANTED—Housegirl in small family. No washing. Care of one child. Address C. Sun Office.

WANTED—One or two children to board. 437 Lakeview avenue.

MANDOLIN AGENTS who are not making $10 or $50 write Hartford Automatic Mandolin Co., Box D, Roxbury, Mass.

LIFE INSURANCE—We want three first class producers; to men who will prove their ability we have good positions to offer; guaranteed salary and commission to right men. Apply 13 Merrimack square, room 1.

WANTED—Experienced kitchen girl. 396 Market street.

AGENTS WANTED—Ladies to introduce valuable article to ladies only; wonderful seller; big profits; easy steady work; secure position at once; particulars free. Penobscot Remedy Co., Box 14, Sta. N., New York, N. Y.

WANTED

CASH PAID for Trading Stamps. Call at 20 Central street, Room 1, Swan Bldg., Wednesday and Thursday from 10 to 4.

MASSAGE by one of experience; ladies only. Address K., Sun office.

WANTED—Children to board in the country; terms reasonable. Address box 163, Billerica.

IF YOU WANT a cord or more of dry hard wood for $6, telephone to P. Cogger, truckman, 484 Riverside street.

WANTED—Donations of second-hand clothing for men, women and children for destitute families in our city. Please send bundles or card to Mattie A. Towne, War Cry Sergeant, Salvation Army. Appleton street, Bancroft block, room 12, Lowell.

WANTED—To buy stable manure in large or small quantities. Drop postal to H. W. Foster, R. F. D., No. 1, or telephone.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Lady's gold watch between Salem street and Casto theatre. Reward if left at P. M. Lederman's, 282 Salem street.

LOST—A gold watch between corner Suffolk and Market streets and St. Jean's church, Merrimack street. Return to Bureau of L'Etoile.

LOST—Black, white, and tan Shepherd dog, white on breast, neck, white streak on forehead and tip of tail. Reward at 351 Powell street.

LOST—On the 16th, in Cook, Taylor's or Kennedy's butter store, or between Central and Lawrence streets, a pocketbook containing receipts and trading stamps. If the person finding it will please return it to The Sun Office trouble will be avoided.

LOST—Between Moody and Central streets, brown hand bag containing money, keys and other articles. Return to Sun office. Reward.

TO LET

TO LET—Eight-room house, corner June and 13th street; modern conveniences. W. T. Sheppard, 103 Central street.

TO LET—Two tenements of three and four rooms, $5 per month; key at 178 East Merrimack street; also other tenements in different parts of the city. J. W. Heery, 65 Merrimack street.

TO LET—One 4-room and one 3-room tenement. Inquire at 81 Chestnut street.

TO LET—Small tenements, 634 Broadway; rent low.

TO LET—Blacksmith shop fully equipped ready for business. Apply at 355 Lincoln street.

TO LET—Tenement of 5 rooms with or without barn. 15 Lombard street.

TO LET—A desirable house on South Canton street, all modern improvements, steam heat. Inquire at 942 Middlesex St.

TO LET—5, 6, 7-room tenements in good repair. 164 Lawrence street.

MONEY TO LOAN

PAWNBROKER—Money to loan; money loaned on all valuable articles, clothing; rates reasonable. A. Stein, 343 Middlesex street, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 3, Swan building, 20 Central street.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security, boarding houses, retail merchants and salaried people; easy payments; lowest rates in the city. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters, boarding houses without security; easy payments; largest business in 42 principal cities. Tolman, room 26, Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leighs, room 9, Barristers hall.

DEVINE'S
TRUNKS BAGS
88 Merrimack St.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Five fine English bull pups cheap at Ryan's, 121 A street.

FOR SALE—Good, comfortable, second-hand sleigh and pung at 465 Parker street, near Pine.

376 HILDGE STREET. White Sewing Machine Co.—Ladies before buying try our automatic drop machine; we have several other makes; you are sure to get suited, give us a call.

FOR SALE—Boarding and lodging house of 10 rooms, all furnished. 403 Central street.

FOR SALE—Fine cow hay $14 a ton, at J. H. Sabre's, 597 Merrimack street.

FOR SALE—Cheap, a good double travers runner sleigh. Inquire at 28 Cross street.

FOR SALE—Sleigh in fair condition; will sell cheap if taken immediately. Inquire 2 rear 141 High street, after 6 p. m.

FOR SALE—Fine double sleigh, built to order, nearly new; owner having no further use for it will sell cheap. Inquire at Sun office.

FOR SALE—Oak mantle bed in good condition; cherry bedstead with spring and mattress, swinging cradle. 66 Willow street.

POULTRYMEN—To make hens lay feed Green Cut Bone; fresh Tuesdays and Fridays. Adams Supply Co., 40 Middlesex Street, room 18, Lowell.

FOR SALE—To mend your stove bricks use Eagle Stove Clay. Hardware and stove dealers sell it in three size packages.

FOR SALE—Hulled corn and cruller roots, horse, wagon, sleigh and everything pertaining to the business. 9 Loring street, corner Grove.

GERMAN ELECTRIC BELT—Relieves rheumatic pains of back and limbs at once; easily adjusted; price $3. F. H. Saunders, agent, 119 Middlesex street.

FOR SALE—Goldfinches, green and gray linnets; also 500 young canaries; choice of this lot $1.50; also lot of gold fish at three for 25c at Moore's Bird Store, 12 Essex St., Lawrence, Mass.

FOR SALE—Horse and team, value $300, may be had for $175; private family preferred. Apply Sun office.

FOR SALE—A variety store situated in a good business neighborhood, established trade of seven years; an exceptionally fine place for one who dressmakes; poor health of owner reason for selling. For all particulars, terms, etc., inquire of E. R. Donovan, room 1, Swan block, 20 Central street. It may be your opportunity.

RUBBER STAMPS at wholesale prices; 1-in. one line stamps 15c; 1½ in., 20c; 85c ink pads, 25c; 25c ink pads, 15c; 50c linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 15c per line. J. M. Pellaw, 158 Merrimack St.

MISCELLANEOUS

THE GREAT BARGAIN PLACE is Lowell for shirts and shirt waists and full suits is the Highland Remnant Store, 99 Pine street; take the Westford street car; a full line of regular 50c mercerized vesting and ottomans for 39c per yd.; also mercerized cheviot, regular price 37c, for 23c to 29c per yd.; regular 37c mercerized Sea Island for 21c per yd.; also Barnsley ginghams, flannelettes and vestings in bundles by the pound; it will pay you to see these bargains before purchasing elsewhere; also boot and shoe repairing done at lowest prices; drop us a postal card and we will call for and repair and deliver the goods without any extra charge.

GOVERNMENT POSITIONS—Prepare now for spring examinations. Call or write 65 Merrimack street, room 16.

THERE WILL be a test seance at Mrs. Coggeshall's, 26 Nichols street, Friday evening, January 29, at 7.45. Admission 15 cents.

DRINK GLORIA; none genuine without Gloria label on bottle; a healthy family beverage; order by postal or telephone. Hoyle Bros., agents.

MRS. FLETCHER, 763 Gorham street, trance medium and card reader.

MME. WATSON EMERSON—Clairvoyant and psychological readings at 474 Central street, also instruction in elocution and physical culture.

MRS. ADAMS, clairvoyant and card reader and ladies' employment office. 355 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

MISS UPTON, clairvoyant, card reader, business medium. 81 Merrimack street.

WOOD GIVEN AWAY—2½ miles out. Apply to depot master, Wamesit station. Must be cut and taken away at once.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, cheap, from the Merrimack woolen mills. Corner store, Lakeview avenue and Pleasant street, Navy Yard.

HORSEMEN ATTENTION—We are now prepared to shoe your horses in the most satisfactory and scientific manner, especially horses lamed by incorrect shoeing, at the reasonable low price of 4 new shoes for $1.00; we also keep in stock a line of hand-made shoes turned by L. J. Pudlen, at the Fair Grounds shoeing forge, 1054 Gorham street, Lowell, Mass.

PIANO OR ORGAN LESSONS at your home; special pains taken with children or advanced pupils; will accompany any instrument for entertainments; years of experience. Mabel Randall, Chelmsford Centre.

STOVES—New and second-hand, bought, sold and exchanged. Reliable Furniture Co., 105 Middlesex street.

LIMERIG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 1128 Bridge street. Telephone.

MUSIC—German zither music furnished at reasonable rates for concerts, dinner parties, church entertainments and home socials. John C. Hansen, Bon Marche studio.

IF YOU WANT your mattresses made over at your home, call at 940 Central St.

BUY YOUR HAT at Delorme's, where you can have it cleaned free of charge for one year. Repairing a specialty. 261 Middlesex street.

SAVE MONEY by buying your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Baker & Co.'s, 150 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; also furniture moving done in a careful manner; always big bargains at our store. McGauvran Bros., Merrimack St., opp. City Hall.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination; used by 200,000 women; price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—Situation as teamster or nearly any kind of work; strictly temperate; reference from late employer. Address Mrs. Montgomery, 238 Fletcher St.

WANTED—By experienced young lady, position as office clerk or cashier. Address A. L., Sun office.

NURSE—Capable, experienced, can be obtained at reasonable terms at 38 Jones avenue, Dracut Centre.

WANTED—A situation as housekeeper by a neat, capable, experienced American, where strict attention will be appreciated. Address J. B. W., care Macine Co., Lowell, Mass.

WANTED—Situation by lady to do light housework; does not object to children. Call 18 Branch street.

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590**

A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

A man dropped dead in Boston after running up stairs to board an "L" train. It is a dangerous test of the heart's capabilities.

A Fall River girl has been killed at Madrid while looping the loop in an automobile. What will not people attempt in order to get money?

Mayor Harrison has been exonerated from all blame for the Iroquois horror as we expected. So will be the others accused by the coroner's jury though most of them are guilty.

Hon. George Fred Williams is favored for delegate to the national convention from Lynn. That does not seem like a repudiation of Bryan although some papers so interpret it.

Going into speculation "to get back money wrongly allowed to a friend" is a new phase of the bank official who uses other people's money in experiments on the ticker. But this is the only new thing about the Nashua chapter of it.—Boston Record.

But these men who steal money from banks are so exceedingly nice that their friends and acquaintances cannot brook to call them plain thieves. This Goggin was not superintendent of a Sunday school so far as we know, but he was "awfully nice" just the same, and hence there must be some scapegoat for his disgrace. If he had been a plain, everyday fellow with a sturdy sense of honesty and honor it would be all right to say he robbed the bank.

THE INTER-CONTINENTAL RAILROAD.

The construction of the Panama canal will be the impetus for a new railroad to run from the straits of Megallen in South America to the great lakes in the north. Our government has sent a special railroad commissioner to the southern republics to consult them on the question of encouraging this inter-continental railroad and he reports that such a road can be built without perpetual subsidies. It may be a reality sooner than expected, if the South American states would stop their warring and turn their attention to something likely to promote their own interests.

ROOM FOR ECONOMY.

Now is the time to lay the foundation of economy in the government of our city during the coming year. The committe on appropriations can cut down the estimates as far as possible and then it will be for the city council to compel the heads of departments keep within their allowance.

The committee should use the pruning knife most freely upon the demands of the departments in which extravagance has prevailed during the past year. The two departments in which the extravagance is most flagrant are the school department and the street department.

No part of the appropriation for either department should be used directly or indirectly to influence votes in favor of any candidate.

PROMOTER WRIGHT'S DEATH.

The death of Whitaker Wright, a promoter of get rich quick schemes, who robbed the public of $10,000,000, bears a salutary lesson to all who might contemplate engaging in the business. He was arrested in New York and taken to London, where such schemes are regarded with a degree of horror.

What is remarkable about the outcome of the case is that after boldly embarking in the business Wright did not as boldly take his seven years sentence and go to jail. Wright was a mere novice in the promoters' art compared to some we have in this country, but here they are racy of the soil and their offenses are seldom made the subject of criminal prosecution.

TO ABOLISH THE POLL TAX.

There is a bill before the legislature providing for the abolition of the poll tax. The man who introduced the measure should be looked up. It may be possible the tax collector has a big poll tax bill against him.

We favored the abolition of the poll tax as a prerequisite for voting, although we felt that no man who is unwilling to pay a poll tax has a right to vote.

When a man joins a society that affords any advantages social or otherwise, he usually has to pay a large initiation fee and a dollar a month or upwards. The initiation fee as a citizen of the United States is not large and the annual fee is but two dollars. It is absurd to propose that this fee be abolished.

It is but right that every citizen should contribute something for the support of the government and in compensation for the privileges he enjoys. If any change is to be made the amount should be increased. When men find that they have to contribute to the support of any institution, they will feel more of an interest in it.

Thousands of men come to this country and horde up their money, spending only what they cannot hold, giving but two dollars each for the protection and the glorious freedom they enjoy. To abolish the poll tax would be to cheat the government. It is a wholesome reminder of the obligations which the citizen owes and one which should not be disturbed.

MR. BRYAN'S ATTITUDE.

Mr. Bryan is talked of as if he were unchanged and unchangable. In regard to the broad principles of democracy that are as eternal as the skies, he has not changed and will not change, but Mr. Bryan is statesman enough to treat conditions as he finds them. Who will deny that the conditions today are very much different from what they were in 1896 or even in 1900? For example, the vast production of gold since 1896 has made a very material change in the currency and although there are still very grave defects in our currency the remedy that was required by the conditions in 1896 is not required now and would not be favored even by Mr. Bryan himself.

He has repeatedly made this statement but his critics still maintain that he insists upon the Chicago or Kansas City platform without modification. Mr. Bryan and other good democrats believe that both those platforms were great declarations of democratic doctrine, the main structure of which will be applicable for all time but as to particular conditions and ever changing phases of public questions, there is no doubt whatever that Mr. Bryan would today modify both instruments to meet the changed conditions.

Those people who expect Mr. Bryan to go before the St. Louis convention and advocate the spirit and letter of the Kansas City platform will find themselves greatly mistaken. We expect that he will still appeal for international bimetallism, but not in the concrete form of free silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

Mr. Bryan has been in Europe of late and he will have new light to shed upon the question of international bimetallism, a subject to which the republican party pledged its attention but which it abandoned without even the semblance of an effort to wards persuasion of the European powers in its favor.

The fact is the republican party is too much in the thrall of the gold kings to favor bimetallism in any form with any sincerity.

SEEN AND HEARD

The sleigh manufacturers are smiling.

Life and coat buttons often hang by slender threads.

Nashua has had and is having more than its share of bank troubles.

It is easier to see through a glass window than it is to see through a glass eye.

Since United States civilization struck Cuba 2060 liquor saloons have been opened there.

In 1890 half the population of the world were under, and half were over, the age of 22 years, 9 months and 18 days.

The Massachusetts Aid society, auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans, which has members in Lowell, will meet in Boston Feb. 9 and 10.

There are a few people in this world who hate to get up before breakfast or to work between meals.

In our navy only one flag is ever allowed to float above the national ensign. During Divine service a large white pennant with a blue cross on it flies at the mast head with the stars and stripes under it.

BABY LOBSTERS.

It is well known and a matter of general regret that the catch of lobsters has for many years been becoming steadily less, so that the official reports show nearly 2,000,000 pounds less in 1900 than in 1880. It may not be so well known that the hatcheries of the United States fish commission are diligently trying to increase the supply. From the fish commission at Gloucester 1,500,000 baby lobsters were recently sent to Portland for distribution along the coast. And the hatchery at Woods' Hole is also doing a large business of the same kind.

"BLUE CROSS" BOATS.

An English ship builder advocates the establishment of a fleet of ten large life boats and one store boat to patrol the North Atlantic along the line of ocean travel. He calls it the "International Blue Cross Ocean Life and Salvage Service." The aim is to save ships and crews in distress. They will have a regular time schedule, so that in case of disaster the officers of a ship or steamer may know just when to find a "Blue Cross" boat.

JACK THE PUNCHER.

The police, thus far, have been unable to connect with Jack the puncher. The man with the gray ulster, Scotch cap and felt shoes seems to be a very clever fellow at punching and getting away. It is suggested that he may be training for a bout with some of the big fellows. Despite the seriousness of his attacks the hunt for the puncher has been prolific of comical situations. Officers in citizens clothes have been doing special duty in Belvidere and a Belvidere man who noticed a fellow acting what he called "a bit suspicious" dodging behind trees and one thing or another, called at the police station yesterday and reported to the police that he had seen Jack the puncher. He was asked to describe the man and his description fitted one of the officers to a T. The man was honest enough but it was an officer and not Jack the puncher that he saw flitting from place to place and dodging behind trees.

PLEASANT TIME

AT THE HADLEY STREET FREE BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. S. D. Millin, assisted by Miss Elizabeth Huntley, soloist, and Clayton R. Kimball, pianist, gave "An Evening with American Humorists," at the Hadley Street Free Baptist church last evening, which held the attention of the large and enthusiastic audience from beginning to end. Mr. Millin is well known in this city, and has already won a reputation as a popular reader and impersonator. Miss Huntley, from Santiago, California, formerly of this city, easily won and held the closest attention of her audience. Her pleasing manner and sweet contralto voice show good training and assure for her a bright future if she chooses to cultivate her talent.

Mr. Kimball is the popular organist of the Mt. Vernon Free Baptist church. He presided at the piano with delight to the audience, and credit to himself.

FLAG AT HALF MAST.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Jan. 29.—Another halibut fisherman, the schooner Corrona, arrived yesterday with her flag at half mast for the loss of one of her crew, Almon Nickerson, of this city.

While Nickerson was out in his dory he was knocked overboard by a heavy sea and drowned.

ADAMS

$9.98

Each for a high grade Iron Bedstead. We have four patterns that are 3 feet and 6 inches wide at this price now.

The former mark was $17.00, $18.00, $19.00 and $22.00 each.

ADAMS & CO.

Furniture, Rugs Carpets

174 CENTRAL ST.

Appleton Bank Block

WHITEN BLACKS

Indiana Doctor Says He Has Scheme

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 29—If the theory of Dr. Jacob W. Hill, a well-known practising physician in this city and one of the best known medical men in the state, is correct, the color of the human race can be fixed at the time of birth. To prove his idea, he has arranged to bring the theory before the scientific and medical world with an experiment. The doctor says:

"The solution of the color scheme of the human race lies in the manner of treatment of the skin at the time of birth. If proper steps are then taken there is no reason why a negro baby may not become a most pronounced Caucasian so far as color is concerned.

"Preparations, however, must be made before the birth of the child. The hospital room in which the infant will first see the light of day must be furnished completely in red. The rays of the sun must be excluded and artificial lights must be strained through red globes. Doctors, nurses and baby must also be attired in red.

"With these preliminary arrangements completed the theory of Dr. Penson of Norway will be carried out. He found by placing a chameleon under the violet rays that the pigment was not so strong as under the ordinary light rays, which can be explained to the unlettered that the change in the colors in the chameleon was not of such marked extent under the violet rays as in another light.

"Red or violet light as actinic rays has a subduing effect, the rays of light are not such as would irritate and prevent pigmentation, and so closely guarding the new-born infant from being exposed to other light would prevent it from turning to the color of its forefathers."

Dr. Hill is confident of success. A wealthy manufacturer has agreed to furnish the necessary funds, and all arrangements have been made for securing a negro child. A local hospital has set aside a room for his special purpose.

CHARACTER PARTY

UNDER AUSPICES OF FIRST SPIRITUALIST SOCIETY.

The character party, held under the auspices of the First Spiritualists' society in Pollard's block on Middle street, last evening, was a huge success and the costumes worn by many of the people present were greatly in keeping with the event.

During the evening prizes were awarded to the ladies and gentlemen for the most artistically and craziest designed costumes. The first prize for the prettiest dressed lady was a chatelaine bag and was awarded to Miss Minnie Pihl, who represented Columbia. The second ladies' prize, a jardiniere, was captured by Mrs. George Frasier. Mrs. Fraiser was dressed as an Indian princess. Mrs. Lillian Snow, who represented a butterfly, captured the third prize. Miss Ruth Naylor got a lemonade set. The complimentary prize which was a bucket of Florida water, was given to Mrs. W. S. Davis. Mr. George Fraiser represented an Indian and he got the first gentleman's prize, which was a rug. The second prize was a gold stick pin, and Harry Phil, who represented Sunny Jim, will wear it in his necktie. The Columbian orchestra furnished music. Refreshments were served under the supervision of Mrs. W. A. Pihl.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

At Odd Fellows' building in Centralville, last night, Rebecca Lodge, No. 139, installed its newly elected officers, prior to which a banquet was served under the direction of Miss Rose Ingalls, Mrs. Arthur M. Greeley, Mrs. Harry Tracy and other members of the lodge. The installation was under the direction of Grand Marshall Mrs. Lilla R. Welton of Lawrence, and was very impressively conducted. The newly elected are as follows: Noble grand, Miss Mary T. Chapley; vice noble grand, A. M. Bachelder; recording secretary, Mrs. T. Fleny; financial secretary, Miss Edith Boucher; treasurer, Miss Antoinetta Stewart; warden, Miss Edith Tibbitts; outer guard, Charles T. Doty; conductor, Miss Mabel Chaplin; right support of noble grand, Mrs. Florence Flynn; left support of the noble grand, Mrs. Louise Rollins; right support of vice grand, Mrs. Jennie Moree; left support of noble grand, Mrs. Abbie E. Vickery. During the evening the retiring noble grand was presented with a beautiful 182 piece dinner set.

Court Gen. Shields, No. 46, F. of A., held their regular meeting last night in Foresters' hall, at which a committee of 25 was appointed to make arrangements for a smoke talk which will occur on the fourth Thursday in February.

SCHOONER DRIFTING.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Jan. 29.—According to a despatch received here yesterday the schooner A. M. Nicholson, of Bucksport, Me., is drifting about the gulf of St. Lawrence, frozen in an ice field.

The despatch stated that the crew of nine men with the captain made their way across the ice fields to shore, after a very hard journey of ten miles.

PUTNAM & SON CO.

166 Central Street

Don't let false pride keep you from this sale of suits. It is clothing of a character offered by no other store. All are good honest bargains and why should you miss the chance to save five to ten dollars?

For Example, Rogers-Peet's Finest Suits, fancy cheviots and worsteds, that were $30, $28 and $25, in one lot now . . . **$20**

Another Collection of Suits made by Rogers-Peet, includes suits that were $23, $22 and $20—these marked **$15**

Fancy Cheviot Suits of our own make, with coats single or double breasted, several patterns that were first $18 and $15, now priced **$10**

Young Men's Stylish Suits, coats single or double breast, all of this season's make, sizes 32 to 36 breast measure—were $15, but now . . . **$10**

Young Men's Suits **$6.00** including all the scattering lots that sold for $10 and $12.

Young Men's Suits **$3.75** odd suits up to 34 breast measure—will fit boys 14 to 17 years—were first marked $6 and $8.

O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE CO.

Tomorrow Morning at 9 O'Clock

The Doors of Our Store, Corner of

Merrimack and Palmer Streets

Will Swing Open for the Great

Fire, Smoke and Water Sale

ALL GOODS WILL BE SOLD STRICTLY FOR CASH, as the Unusual Conditions which prevail will not permit us to charge anything. We respectfully urge customers to carry parcels when possible, as it will be absolutely impossible for us to promise anything definite regarding delivery. We will have a force of 100 employes at your service, but even then you may suffer some inconvenience. However, we trust our customers will bear it patiently and good naturedly until we can secure greater selling space. Every sale must be absolute, and no goods exchanged or sent on approval.

Open Tomorrow Morning Promptly at 9 O'Clock

O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE CO.

DEVIL OUTWITTED

Story of Fantastic Hold-up

TOLD IN A PAPER 100 YEARS OLD

Paper Was Found In an Old Desk

A few days ago G. H. Sproat, living on Ash street, says the Manchester Union, received from his father, who lives in Vermont, an ancient desk, made by the great-grandfather of the Manchester man. It is a valuable piece of furniture and is highly prized by the family. Upon the arrival of the relic of other days, Mr. Sproat made a search in it and was surprised to find a copy of the Weekly Wanderer, a four-page, four-column sheet printed by Sereno Wright, "a few rods west of the meetinghouse," at Randolph, Orange county, Vt. The paper is of the issue of June 18, 1803.

This century old sheet, filled with interesting reading, fell into the hands of a Union reporter and was recognized at once as being quite different from many old papers. There is the style which characterized the publications of 100 years ago, there is the theological atmosphere, the subordination of live news to the discussion of ethics that one frequently finds in the old papers, but on the other hand there seems to be more substance to the matter printed. It had evidently been a "good week" in the Wanderer office and Mr. Wright could look with pride on a paper that had a deal of world news packed into a very small compass.

There is too much in the old paper for a single descriptive account, but a part of it is "covered" in the present account and other articles will deal with the rest of the paper.

The first page leader in this issue is not the most startling news item of the week but a two-column dissertation on the subject of capital punishment in which a writer whose nom de plume is Beccaria maintains that man has no right to take the life of his fellow man. Beccaria goes boldly into the Biblical argument and interprets "Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed," not as a precept but as a prediction; then, admitting that his view is not the one generally accepted, he masses half a column of quotations to prove that if this is a precept it was a peculiarly Jewish one, applying to the chosen people only.

The following story from the Boston Gazette, under the headline, "The Devil Outwitted, or a New Attempt at Swindling," appears and is given here in full as a fair sample of the method of treatment of a matter of news a century ago:

"The following very singular transaction actually occurred in a village not many miles distant from Boston. A single gentleman, who had a considerable quantity of specie, and who had been in the habit of accommodating his neighbors with loans of money, a few days since, had received a payment to the amount of $800, and late in the evening was returning home, when he was accosted by a being whose external habiliments, it seems, suggested to his imagination the exact similitude of the Devil, and who boldly demanded of him $1000. Terrified at this abrupt and fearful interview, the gentleman told him that he had not the sum by him. The strange personage replied that he knew he had it and that he must let him have it immediately. The gentleman then told him that he had $100 by him, but that if he would give him time he would procure the remainder of the sum required. The Devil accordingly took his word and appointed the next evening at the hour of 10 to meet him at his own house, and threatened that unless he then fulfilled his promise he would carry him off. At the same time enjoining profound secrecy as to this and the future interview. Not having the remainder of the money on hand, the gentleman was obliged to borrow the deficiency. The man to whom he applied, knowing the circumstances, expressed his surprise at the request, particularly as it seemed to be of a most urgent nature, and as the gentleman appeared extremely agitated and anxious. He accordingly desired to know the reason of the application. The gentleman replied it was of the utmost consequence and that he should be ruined forever unless he could procure it. His friend then told him that he had the sum he wanted, but that he could accommodate him on no other condition but that of knowing the use to which he would apply it. In this dilemma he wisely concluded of two evils to choose the lesser, supposing that if the essential part of his engagement was punctually complied with the Devil would be civil enough to absolve him from the bonds of secrecy. He accordingly, in a very serious manner disclosed the whole transaction of the preceding evening. His friend then gave him the money, with permission, however, to be present at this singular interview. He (the friend) accordingly secreted himself, with a loaded pistol, in a little closet in the room, and at the hour appointed the chief of the pandemonium punctually appeared to receive his money. At this instant the man in the closet stepped out and presenting a pistol to his breast, demanded who he was and threatening to fire unless he immediately divested himself of his state robes of darkness. Confounded at this unexpected recounter, the poor Devil lost all supernatural agency; he was compelled to lay aside his crown or horns and cloven foot and stood exposed a near neighbor of both parties, detected in this singular scheme of plunder. It seems that this man, knowing the day before that his neighbor was to receive a large sum of money, conceived this plan to impose on his superstition and credulity and rob him of $1000. In this instance the Devil was completely outwitted and overlooking the $800, which he might probably in this manner have secured, to obtain $1000, he lost all, and is now accommodated with lodgings in a pandemonium little more agreeable than that, where it is said the character which he meant to personify resides."

This entire account, as will be observed, is given in a single paragraph and is a typical news story of its time.

The remainder of the first page of the Wanderer and nearly a column of the second is devoted to a detailed account of a duel in England between a colonel in the army and a captain in the navy, in which one was killed and the other wounded. The cause of this sanguine affair was a dog fight between canines owned by the officers, in which one of the latter interfered. This account, published on June 15, was taken from "a London paper," of April 8, and is a vivid description of the entire proceeding.

POLO NEWS

"Bob" Hart, rusher of the Muncie team, is travelling so fast now that it is necessary for two men to keep tabs on him. The other night when Muncie was pitted against Indianapolis Murtaugh and Coggeshall were appointed as a committee of two to watch out for the ex-Lowell player, but despite this inconvenience Hart managed to get his share of the goals.

The Ft. Wayne team, as a whole, has the best record in the Central league, both in number of rushes and goals, and is next to Lafayette in its small number of fouls. Terre Haute is only two goals behind Ft. Wayne. Sutherland, of Danville, has been the busiest goal tender in the league, with Harper, of Terre Haute, close behind.

Harper is the Lowell boy who went west and has made good.

The man who invented the jumping-jack must have seen some of Tommy Holderness' antics. It's worth anybody's "two bits" to see the star half-back cover fifty feet of a polo floor with a pair of legs that seem to be made of elastic flesh and bone. Lyons is a good one, Barney Doherty, too, but give us the boy with the cool head and true eye that Tommy alone possesses.—Muncie Star.

In Anderson the other night Joe Fox's Marions defeated the brewery workers by a score of 4 to 3, with Fox playing goal.

HON. SAMUEL ROADS

WELL KNOWN MARBLEHEAD MAN IS DEAD.

MARBLEHEAD, Jan. 29.—Hon. Samuel Roads, Jr., died at his home on Elm street at 7 o'clock last evening from a complication of diseases. Mr. Roads has been in failing health for more than a year, suffering from a combination of heart and stomach troubles. A short time ago symptoms of brights disease were noticed. This ailment developed very rapidly and is assigned as the immediate cause of his death.

He was not in robust health when he ran for congress against Capt. Gardner in 1902, and the strain of the campaign is thought to have hastened his death.

He left an aged mother, one brother, John L. Roads, and a sister, Mrs. William A. Laskey.

The news of Mr. Roads' death was received with profound regret by the citizens of the town, for no person here could be more of a loss to the town. Mr. Roads always took a great interest in Marblehead, where he was born, and he made its welfare part of his life study. His death will be mourned by the entire community and also by a host of friends out of town.

INSPECTION DAY

HIGH SCHOOL REGIMENT REVIEWED BY GEN. GRAHAM.

The High School regiment was inspected yesterday at the annex drill shed. General J. D. Graham (retired) Mayor Charles E. Howe, Captain Colby T. Kittredge and William W. Duncan, chairman of the school board, were present.

The regiment was drawn up in battalion front; then the companies passed in review before the party. The various regimental movements were executed, including the hollow squares by battalions, the drill ending with the dress parade.

Later the visitors made a short visit to the High school hall, where the girls' battalions were drilling under command of Major Eleanor Abbott.

General Graham expressed himself as delighted with the exhibitions given by both the regiments.

Everybody goes to Prescott hall this evening.

CYCLE NEWS

The contingent of racing men from the United States—Floyd MacFarland, Iver Lawson and Hardy Downing—have created quite a sensation in Melbourne, Australia, by their splendid racing. That of MacFarland, as a handicap rider, and which we can best appreciate, is being especially well praised. They have competed in Sydney and Melbourne with success, and have established themselves as favorites with the sportgoing public.

Since the appearance in Melbourne of "Major" Taylor, MacFarland and company, the Australians have been made to look almost second raters, the visitors outpacing them invariably. As a matter of fact, there are several Australians, perhaps eight or ten, who are much on a par, no one rider standing out above the other. They appear to reach a certain degree of perfection and then stop. This is due to the style and class of racing there, which is principally handicaps. The major portion of the prize money, amounting to, say, $30,000 annually (in Victoria), is devoted to handicap events, the Austral being the richest prize; last year as in 1902, there have been $2,750 allotted for prizes, of which $2,250 is for the first place. Promoters of race meetings there have the idea that it is the big prize that will draw the gate, and perhaps they were correct at one period, but only up to a certain point.

Big prizes, particularly in handicaps, have done more than induce the public to attend, for instead of benefiting the sport as a sport—producing true racing—they have tended to demoralize the men, who do their utmost, even to waiting for years, to get out onto a long mark, not only that that may make more certain of winning it, but by backing themselves weeks, perhaps months, before and secure long odds, thus receiving practically a double prize—if they win. These tactics are much too common; it is the result of giving such a big prize for a handicap.

The biggest prize given for a scratch competitor is $800. The contest for this is rather a series of heats and finals of one, two and three miles, with a final of five miles for those riders who have qualified (by points) in the shorter distances. Thus the actual winner is required to race 17 miles, and the utmost he can net (if he wins the finals of the one, two and three miles) is $675. A contest of this description has frequently resulted in a number of men pooling the stakes, one being taken in each heat and final to win, and so get the whole clique into the grand final.

The quality and style of the American's racing are very different from those of the local men. McFarland and Lawson have raced in good company, and the system of racing has been such, as to develop all their speed capabilities. It has been to their advantage to become as proficient as possible; they have no motive for doing otherwise. Whether they will be successful in the Austral remains to be seen. They will, of course, have to combat combinations of the Australian men. There is one potent factor which has worked against the Australians even if they desired to become world's champions. In Victoria, where by far the bulk of the Australian racing is done, there is not an up-to-date track, Melbourne being wofully deficient in this respect. They cannot get 1.40 miles on a track that will carry only 1.50 miles. Moreover, the surface is rough. A fast track will make fast men faster.

You can save money on every purchase of a hat or bonnet at Rose Jordan Hartford's, corner John and Lee streets.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT THE CASTO.

The current bill at the Casto is one that will amuse all the children tomorrow, for Saturday afternoon is the time selected by the school children of the city to attend the theatre. Robert Henry Hodge and company in "A Bachelor's Troubles" head the program, and the adventures of the woman-hating old "bach" are most amusing. Then there is Baker and Lyn in the funny comedy "The Electric Boy;" Gilroy, Haynes and Montgomery in the singing comedy "Pink Eye Pete" and many others equally as clever. Green trading stamps are given free with orchestra tickets.

Rubber Sale

Men's $3.00 Rubber Boots	$2.25
Men's $2.50 4-buckle Arctics	$1.98
Men's $1.50 Buckle Arctics	98c
Men's 75c Rubbers	49c
Boys' 60c Rubbers	42c
Ladies' $1.00 Overshoes, small sizes	19c
Ladies' 50c Storm Rubbers	39c
Misses' 49c Storm Rubbers	25c
75 pairs of Children's 40c Rubbers, sizes 10 and 11	24c

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Misses' Button Overshoes, best grade, were $1.50, now	98c
Child's Button Overshoes, best grade, were $1.25, now	89c
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While we have not "Any Rags, Any Bones, Any Bottles Today"—still—"It's the Same Old Story in the Same Old Way"—but with a difference.

To the Public — Let us explain. It is quite generally known that we have had a successful sale—we may say an unusual one. We have turned a large amount of goods since the opening of the Parthenais Bros.' Assignee Sale. We have advertised liberally and the buying public came to us in the face of some of the worst weather in years. Our two opening days were record breakers. But that is history and "the mill will never grind with the water that has passed."—Hence we hasten to say, big as were our opening days—we are going to open up a sale TODAY and Evening that will excel it--that will be the talk of the town. If the "No School" bell rings on Friday morning--it means US and means the sale is on and that we are beating even the weather. And this is what we are going to do and how we are going to do it.

FIRST--We are going to undertake to sell or **give away** everything in the store from the broom and the door-mat to the finest suit of clothes in the store, including roll top desk, show cases, tables, in a word everything, stock and fixtures entire.

SECOND--We shall conduct this Great Bankrupt Clearance and Free Gift Sale as follows: We shall mass together **Three Different Lots of Free Gifts** enclosed in uniform boxes without marks of any kind making it impossible for anyone to tell what a box contains.

These same boxes will contain gifts worth from **25c to $10.00.**

LOT 1 will contain gifts of value from **25c to $1.00** and will be given with every purchase amounting to from **$1.00 to $3.00.**

LOT 2 will contain presents worth from **$1.50 to $3.00** and will be given with purchases of from **$3.50 to $8.00.**

LOT 3 will contain presents worth from **$3 to $10.00** and will be given with purchases of from **$8.50 to $20.00.**

Everything will be as advertised and the value of the presents will be unquestionable.

We have put a deal of study into this proposition. It is up to us to sell out every piece and article in Parthenais Bros.' store and if we don't do it--call us dead ones. The stock has got to go and it's got to go in **Ten Days.** The articles that we shall give away free include **Suits, Coats, Pants, Vests, Hats, Caps, Shirts, Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Etc., Etc.,** all at values as above, everything but money--that we keep for that's what we need--what we have got to get. If we didn't need it and need it bad we should not be forced to make this extraordinary offer--a proposition never matched in the business history of Lowell.

CHAS. L. KNAPP
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SKETCHES AT THE BASKETBALL GAME LAST NIGHT.

THE GREATEST EVER

Lowell Won Fast Game From Natick Last Night

With everything against them Lowell's basketball players went in last night and won a game from Natick that seemed lost from the start.

You have read about "the greatest game ever" and "the most sensational of the season," etc., but such a game never occurred until last night. For almost two hours a crowd numbering 1800 people yelled, cheered and sang and then went away satisfied that for genuine sport, merriment and a good time they never invested money that was better spent. It was such a game that brings out all that is good in basketball. The men who fought during those strenuous moments had to use their brains to follow the work of their opponents. It was what the experts would call the most scientific contest of basketball ever seen anywhere and not until the latter part of the last period was it won.

ENTHUSIASM RAN HIGH.

For rooters you never saw the like of it. The Natick team came up on a special train accompanied by 200 of their good, loyal friends and a brass band. That they came is a matter for Manager Gray to congratulate himself on, for they taught the Lowell fans a lesson that was accepted last night, and if they only continue the progress they made last night Lowell will lose few games from now until the close of the season. The visiting rooters shouted themselves hoarse for the Natick team and the Lowell people took up the cue and yelled as they never did before.

No Lowell team ever received the encouragement that Capt. Abbott's team got last night. Once "Scotchy" started his favorite "We yell; We yell! Lowell! Lowell! L-o-w-e-l-l!" the cheering for the home team never stopped. Jimmy Gray, who was up in the gallery with some of the Boston rooters, was more than pleased and said it was worth more than a little to him to hear his team encouraged in that way. "After all," he said, "when it comes right down to an issue the Lowell people stand by you." "Peck" Donnelly was one of the loudest shouters for the Lowell men. After the second period he went to the Lowells' dressing room and gave the home team some good advice. "The Natick people are all in," he said, "and if you keep them well covered you will win." It was good coaching and the local lads followed his advice.

JIM REDMOND PLEASED.

When the score was tied at the close of the second period Jimmy Redmond, the former manager of the Burke team and one of the best posted men on basketball that could be run across, said that he never saw such a game. "Talk about playing," he said, "why that Lowell bunch never was forced to such a pace. Natick is tiring now, and if the Lowell boys hold out they will win. But for basketball I never saw teams fight for victory the way these fellows are battling. Talk about Burke-P. A. C. games, they were exciting all right, but the men were never forced the way they are tonight."

And so it was all around the hall.

The game itself brought all there is in basketball. Team work was the great feature and basket throwing was more accurate than in any other contest this season. Natick started off like a winner and indeed more than one-half of the people who went to the hall expected that the visitors would win. But right here is where they erred in judgment. At the close of the first period they had a lead of nine points and even Manager Gray and Jerry Murphy, the men who made the band play "Tessie," could see only defeat. But the men who wore the Lowell colors determined to make a last stand and it was a noble one. They fought an uphill game that few teams would tackle, and at the close of the second period the score was a tie at 16 each. Even Tom Ed Smith, who always roots his best for the Lowell team, could not believe his eyes when he saw the big figures put up on the score board. "Say," said Tom Ed, "those fellows have their bad games as well as the others, but just the same when it comes to a throw down Gray's men have them all beaten." Then Tom settled down for the third period, which brought victory. But before the playing began in this period the band played "Tessie" and the girls from Natick sang a song that told about Natick being a winner, and then when the Lowell men appeared on the playing surface the crowd broke into wild cheering. During this period the home team scored 16 points, while the best the visitors could do was to pile up four points.

The Natick rooters urged their team to go in and win, but the lead was too great and while the loyal rooters waved the green and red flags they took from the engine of the special train that brought them here, the Lowell boys went in and piled up the baskets. Cairns never played such a game as he did last night and his eye for the basket was the correct thing. Four times he landed the sphere safely, while Abbott, the hard working captain, led all with five baskets to his credit, two of the most difficult ones. Allard, too, was in championship form and he tossed four goals. Bill Holleron came next with two and his team work was superb. While Jack O'Neill is credited with only a single basket, it is to his credit that he scored that one at the critical part of the game. More than that Jack's passing was a revelation to his followers of the game and he took chances that others would refuse. It only goes to show what the writer has said many times that O'Neill is still in the game and not a back number by any means. Natick played a fine game, but they were gone after the first period because they started out to pile up a big score and simply wore themselves out. Had they played a steady game and reserved their strength the result would have been closer.

When the game ended Joe Lynch said to the writer: "When we come here again we'll trim your team good and hard. The boys outplayed themselves tonight that's all. We'll bring the rooters again and they will shout over a victory, not a defeat."

The lineup and summary:

LOWELL.	NATICK.
Allard lf	rb Healy
Abbott rf	lb Hayes
Cairns c	c Falle
O'Neill lb	rf Punch
Holleron rb	lf Martens (Sheridan)

FIRST PERIOD.

Goal, Natick, Hayes	2-0
Goal, Natick, Punch	4-0
Goal, Natick, Falle	6-0
Goal, Lowell, Abbott	6-2
Goal, Natick, Healy	8-2
Goal, Lowell, Cairns	8-4
Goal, Natick, Martens	10-4
Goal, Lowell, Abbott	10-6
Third foul, Lowell, Cairns	11-6
Goal, Natick, Hayes	13-6
Goal, Natick, Martens	15-6

SECOND PERIOD.

Third foul, Lowell, Abbott	16-6
Goal, Lowell, Allard	16-8
Goal, Lowell, O'Neill	16-10
Goal, Lowell, Abbott	16-12
Goal, Lowell, Holleron	16-14
Third foul, Natick, Falle	16-15
Goal, Lowell, Cairns	16-17
Third foul, Lowell, Cairns	17-17
Goal, Lowell, Abbott	17-19
Goal, Natick, Martens	19-19

THIRD PERIOD.

Third foul, Natick, Punch	19-20
Goal, Natick, Punch	21-20
Goal, Lowell, Abbott	21-22
Goal, Lowell, Allard	21-24
Third foul, Lowell, Holleron	22-24
Goal, Lowell, Allard	22-26
Third foul, Lowell, Abbott	23-26
Third foul, Natick, Falle	23-27
Goal, Lowell, Cairns	23-29
Goal, Lowell, Holleron	23-31
Goal, Lowell, Cairns	23-33
Goal, Lowell, Allard	23-35

Score, Lowell 35, Natick 23. Goals from the floor, Hayes 2, Punch 2, Falle 1, Abbott 5, Healy 1, Cairns 4, Martens 2, Allard 4, O'Neill 1, Holleron 2. Fouls committed, Abbott 3, Cairns 6, Falle 4, Allard 2, O'Neill 5, Hayes 5, Punch 1, Holleron 1. Points on fouls, Lowell 3, Natick 5. Referee, William Marley of Lowell. Timekeepers, Bucky Halloran for Lowell and Hugh Healy for Natick. Attendance, 1800.

LAWRENCE 21, HAVERHILL 9.

LAWRENCE, Jan. 29.—The local basketball team easily defeated Haverhill here last night, 21 to 9. Horan was the only visitor who was able to throw a basket.

LAWRENCE.	HAVERHILL.
Tighue rf	lb Lew
Sykes lf	rb Kellher
Kane c	c Horan
Herron rb	lf Doyle
Pendergast lb	rf Harrington

Score—Lawrence 21, Haverhill 9. Baskets from the floor—Kane 5, Tighe 2, Pendergast, Sykes, Horan 2. Fouls—Herron 3, Pendergast 8, Kane, Sykes, Tighue 2, Harrington 4, Doyle 3, Kellher 3, Low. Points on fouls—Lawrence 2, Haverhill 5. Referee—Crittenden. Timer—Ball. Time—15-minute periods. Attendance—800.

LOWELL TEAM LOST.

The Winchester Y. M. C. A. basketball team last night defeated the Lowell Y. M. C. A., 20 to 16, at Winchester. The home team found the visitors a tough proposition, but superior team work landed them the match. Winchester has won 11 out of 13 games played.

WINCHESTER.	LOWELL.
Smith lf	lf Johnson
Crawford rf	rf Pearson (Leeds)
Sharon c	c Wilson
Harrold lb	lb Gray
Mitton rb	rb Myrick

Score—Winchester Y. M. C. A. 20, Lowell Y. M. C. A. 16. Goals from floor—Smith 3, Crawford, Sharon 2, Harrold 2, Mitton, Pearson 3, Wilson 2, Myrick. Goals on fouls—Crawford, Harrold, Pearson 3, Myrick. Fouls called—Winchester Y. M. C. A. 7, Lowell Y. M. C. A. 15. Fouls missed—Winchester Y. M. C. A. 13, Lowell Y. M. C. A. 9.

ANNUAL SUPPER

OR LADIES' NIGHT AT UNITARIAN CHURCH.

The annual supper of the male members of the First Unitarian church was held last night, but the occasion was really a ladies' night, for the lady friends of the members were present in large numbers and enjoyed the evening. G. F. Hamer, the church organist, gave a delightful organ recital from 6 till 6.30 o'clock.

At the close of the concert program the audience adjourned to the vestry, where a most sumptuous banquet was served, covers being laid for 150. After the banquet Rev. C. T. Billings introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. S. M. Crothers, D. D., of Cambridge, whose theme was, "The Honest Miner of the Far West." The address was quite humorous and interesting.

During the evening Mrs. James Greig sang, charmingly "I Once Had a Sweet Little Doll," "The Devoted Apple," and for an encore she responded with "Loch Lomond."

A. M. Bowen of Lawrence sang "Because of Thee," and W. T. Reid contributed two numbers to the program, "Kavanaugh," and when recalled he gave "The Tramp Tale."

"Auld Lang Syne" was sung by the audience and parting grace was said.

CHINAMAN DEAD

Strange Crime Committed at Hanover Four Corners

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—One of the most brutal murders in southeastern Massachusetts in recent years was committed in the Masonic building at Hanover Four Corners some time in the noon hour yesterday, when Quong Sing, who had a laundry in the building, was throttled by a stranger and his head forced into a tub full of water and a large box filled with soap was placed on his head, holding it firmly below the surface and suffocating the unfortunate victim.

The murder and two robberies of houses in the immediate neighborhood complete the record for one day in that town.

Late yesterday afternoon Cyrus Ryan who has been employed at the Clapp rubber works, near the Four Corners was arrested as he stepped from a train in the south terminal, accompanied by the girl he was coming here to marry. He was locked up in the Tombs over night and will be arraigned in court at Abington today.

Quong Sing had run the laundry in the Masonic block on the side street leading from Broadway, for the last two years. He had three rooms on the first floor. He was the only Chinaman that had ever resided in the town and had built up a good business.

Like most Chinese laundrymen, he did his ironing in the front store, and he was at work there in the forenoon.

In the next room of the building is a barber shop kept by Bradford Snell, and beyond this is the market of W. D. Paxton.

In the forenoon both Mr. Snell and Mr. Paxton had called at the laundry to get water from the pump in the rear room, and being on good terms with John, as they called him, conversed considerably with him.

About 9 a. m. a stranger was seen to enter the laundry and was seen conversing with the Chinaman by people passing. Mr. Paxton saw the man when he called to get a bucket of water and he was also seen by Snell. When Snell called in there the stranger spoke to him and bade him "Good morning."

Mr. Paxton left the market at 11.55 to go to his dinner. He told his wife that there was a strange man hanging around the Chinese laundry and he did not like the looks of him. He hurried his dinner and went directly back to the market.

Meantime, Mr. Snell had also closed his barber shop and gone to lunch. With the departure of both these men there was no one left in the building but the Chinaman and the stranger. The stranger was standing in the store watching Quong Sing, who was ironing a shirt.

When Mr. Paxton returned from lunch he saw the door of the laundry slightly ajar. He went into the barber shop and asked Snell where John was. Snell replied that he had not seen him, and suggested that perhaps he had gone out for a few minutes. Mr. Paxton told Snell that they had better investigate. The men entered the laundry and passed into a rear room, which was used as a kitchen and wash room by Quong Sing.

This room looked as though there had been a hurricane. The washboiler and washing materials had been scattered all over the floor, and leading from the sink to a door to the drying room at the right was a trail of water.

Passing into the drying room, which is only about 10x4 feet, the investigators found, in the middle of the floor, a tub filled with water and the body of Quong Sing hanging out of it. His head was submerged in the water, and a heavy box filled with soap wedged it in firmly. One of his hands was raised as if warding off a blow.

One of the men seized the body and found that it was still warm. The box was removed, and Dr. Grovenstein and Dr. McMillan, who reside nearby, were summoned. Efforts were made to resuscitate the unfortunate man, but without success.

Mr. Snell then ran to the telephone office near the laundry and called up Chief Watts in Boston, notifying him of the murder, and also gave him a complete description of the stranger whom he had seen hanging around the laundry during the forenoon. Chief Watts said that he would put officers on the case at once, and Snell then notified Selectman Eben C. Waterman. The town police and Selectman Edward A. Bowker of Centre Hanover were notified to keep a sharp watch for the missing man.

THE MURDERER ARRESTED.

It was thought by the authorities that the stranger seen around the laundry would leave town by the noon train and officers were sent to watch it, but he did not appear. The next train for Boston left Hanover at 2.16 and at Curtis Crossing a strange man about 25 years of age and wearing a long black overcoat and a slouch hat got on the train. He had a zinc trunk with him and also a small satchel. There is no baggage master at Curtis Crossing, and Brakeman William Sylvester took charge of the trunk, and when the train arrived at South Hanover a baggage check was secured and was handed to the man.

The trainmen had no orders to look out for anybody, and did not for a moment suspect that the man who boarded the train at Curtis Crossing was the one that the police were in search of.

In the meantime a telegraphic description of the man had been sent to all the stations between Hanover and Boston, with orders to arrest him on sight.

At Braintree two officers boarded the train, and before they arrived in Boston the suspected man had been placed under arrest.

As soon as the train arrived in Boston they called up Hanover and W. F. Bates, one of the leading business men of the place, left on the first train for Boston. Later in the afternoon W. D. Saxton, Bradford Snell, William E. Hanley and Stanley Baker left for the city, and on their arrival identified the man as the one they had seen in the laundry during the forenoon.

When searched the revolver which Quong Sing had kept in the laundry was found. It was also believed that Quong Sing had lost his watch, but it was not found upon Ryan. When arrested there was a girl with Ryan, who it is said that he was to marry, and the Boston officers asked her to give them the watch. She reached into her dress and produced a watch which she claims that Ryan had given her. This watch could not be identified last night by the Hanover men.

Glenmore club dance at Prescott hall this evening. Hibbard's orchestra.

MUSICAL NIGHT

FINE PROGRAM AT THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

A fine musical and literary entertainment was held at the First Congregational church last evening by the American orchestra, assisted by Mrs. Jean W. Sherburne, Miss Mae Folger Stevens, Mr. David Martin and Rev. J. A. McKnight. Solon W. Stevens was the accompanist of the evening.

The program was as follows:

Grand March from "Folkunger" ... Kretchmer
American orchestra
A Day at Niagara ....Mark Twain
J. A. McKnight.
Violin solo
Master Hans Borjes.
The Guardian Angel ....Gounod
Mr. David Martin.
Suite Romantique. A Day in Venice.. .... Nevin
a. Dawn. b. Gondoliers. c. Venetian Love Song. d. Good Night.
American orchestra.
Piano, a. Nocturn in ab ....MacDowell
b. Russian Dance .... Chopin
Mae F. Stevens.
Sap. solo. I Love You ....Sobeski
Mrs. Jean W. Sherburne.
Dotlonghandled Dipper .... Charles Follen Adams
J. A. McKnight.
Cornet solo
Mr. Bryant.
Jamie Butler's Mistake
J. A. McKnight.
The Burgomaster ....Leuders
American orchestra.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

OF HIGH STREET CHURCH MET LAST EVENING.

The prudential committee of the High street church and society met last evening and organized for the year with the election of George A. Marden as chairman and S. F. Whipple, secretary. It was voted to consolidate the three committees on heating and lighting, care of grounds and repairs into one committee in care of church property. This committee consists of Messrs. Nelson, Bailey and Barnes.

It was voted to fix the janitor's pay at $200 per year, his duties to be defined by the committee on church property. Messrs. Bacheller and Robertson were appointed a committee on pulpit supply and Messrs. Marden and Whidden on church subscriptions.

The committee adopted an address to the people sent out as a "feeler" before laying out plans for the year.

MATRIMONIAL

A pretty wedding took place Wednesday at the home of Mr. James Manley, Tewksbury, when their daughter, Katharine Irene, was united in marriage to John H. Kelley, the well-known operator for the Boston & Maine railroad. Mary Manley, the bride's sister, was bridesmaid and the groom's brother, Mr. Anthony G. Kelley, was best man. The bride was beautifully gowned in white china silk, while the bridesmaid wore pale blue silk. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley after a short honeymoon to Troy, N. Y., will reside at East Tewksbury, where Mr. Kelley has built a nice cottage. Mr. Kelley is well known as a baseball player, being captain of the Tewksbury high school team.

LOWELL MEN ATTENDED.

At the 15th annual meeting of the Massachusetts Co-operative Bank league, held in Boston yesterday, the Lowell people who attended were A. B. Woodworth, president of the Lowell Co-operative bank; Jesse Shepard, president of the Middlesex Co-operative bank; William D. Brown, secretary and treasurer of the Lowell and Middlesex banks, and George H. Taylor, director of the Lowell bank.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

The installation of officers of Court St. Paul, Catholic Order of Foresters, was held last evening in Vincent hall. Deputy High Chief Ranger Dr. A. G. Payette was the installing officer and he was assisted by Past Chief Ranger Azarie Thibault of Court St. Antoine and Arthur Lavoie. At the regular business meeting there were two initiations and ten candidates for admission were balloted upon and deemed advisable. There were also two new applications.

The following were the officers installed: Chief ranger, George Lainde; sub-chief ranger, Leude Tourelgnant; past chief ranger, Cleophas D'Anjou; financial secretary, Adelard Sylvester; treasurer, Edmund Lambert; trustees for one year, Alphonse Gagnon, Elzear Turcotte, Joseph Ducharme; first conductor, Arthur Mcrault; second conductor, Napoleon River; first sentinel, Laurent Richard; second sentinel, Noel Gilbert.

There is no time like the present to get bargains in Overcoats at the

Merrimack

We are making a determined effort to clean up the last hundred coats before stock taking next Monday, and have cut the prices 1-4 to 1-2 below regular

ARE YOU INTERESTED?
ACT TODAY . . . . .

We've made prices on high-grade overcoats that will attract intending buyers to the Merrimack.

Practically the entire overcoat stock has been put into three price-ranges as follows:

At $7.50

The Friezes, Kerseys and Meltons in black, blue and oxford gray—every garment all wool and well made—that were $10 and $12.

At $11.50

The "Eff-Eff" closed lots—coats that sell regularly at $18, $20 and $22—also the regular Shuman overcoats that were $15—in long, medium and short lengths.

At $15.00

The choice, hand-finished coats—including the staple black Kerseys that are seldom reduced—regular lengths and long coats—regularly priced at $20, $22, $23 and $25.

Also a Special Gathering of Boys' Overcoats

At $3.75

Russian overcoats and reefers for little fellows, top coats and long belt overcoats for the bigger boys—the prices were $5 and $6—choose today

At $3.75

The Merrimack CLOTHING COMPANY
Across from City Hall

DR. DONLAN'S REPORT

To Overseers Contains Important Recommendations

DR. P. E. SULLIVAN, AMBULANCE PHYSICIAN.

Overseers of Poor Complete Minor Elections—Dr. John F. Boyle Succeeds Dr. Frye as District Physician—One Change Among Ambulance Drivers

The overseers of the poor met at the city hospital yesterday and completed the election of minor officials.

Only two changes were made, Dr. John Boyle succeeding Dr. Frye as district physician and Michael F. McDermott succeeding John Cuff as ambulance driver.

Supt. Donlan submitted an interesting annual report reviewing the year's work and making several important recommendations. The report calls for better fire protection, better care of tramps with particular regard to their cleanliness as a safeguard against infection, the better care of the fast increasing number of cases of tuberculosis among inmates, and a resident registered pharmacist.

Chairman Conley called to order at 3.45 o'clock and all were present. The secretary read the roll call.

Mr. McDermott for the committee on outdoor relief reported progress in the matter of changing the wood yard, it being agreed to defer this matter until later.

Overseer Dunn moved that the election of district physicians be held. They were taken by districts and elected as follows: District one, Dr. T. J. Halloran; district two, Dr. A. J. Halpin; district three, Dr. John Boyle; district four, Dr. Omer B. Porter; district five; Dr. James E. Leary; district six, Dr. Pierre Brunelle.

Overseer McCoy moved the election of an ambulance surgeon and Dr. P. E. Sullivan received the entire nine votes.

On motion of Mr. McCoy a ballot was taken for dispensary clerk and Edwin Mason, the present incumbent, received eight. Overseer Dunn voting for Mr. Carroll.

The election was then ordered for four ambulance drivers, and they were elected as follows: Michael F. McDermott had seven votes, Mr. McCoy voting for John Cuff and Mr. Tilton for W. H. Yeoman, and Mr. McDermott was declared elected. James Gaughan received eight votes, Mr. Tilton voting for George Cady, and was declared elected. James McGlynn received five votes against four for Alfred Morrissette and was declared elected on a straight party vote, and the fourth driver, George B. McKenna, received the entire nine votes.

The vote for district physicians in detail was as follows: District one, Dr. T. J. Halloran, six votes, Messrs. McCoy and Robert voting for Dr. Caisse and Mr. Tilton for Dr. Varnum.

District two, Dr. Halpin received four democratic votes and that of Mr. McCoy. Messrs. Eastman and Robert voted for Dr. Varnum, Mr. Foye voting for Dr. Bertrand and Mr. Tilton for Dr. Caisse.

District three, Dr. Boyle received the five democratic votes, Messrs. Eastman and Robert voted for Dr. Caisse and Messrs. McCoy and Tilton for Dr. Frye.

District four, Dr. Porter received the five democratic votes and those of Messrs. McCoy and Tilton. Mr. Eastman voted for Dr. Frye and Mr. Robert for Dr. Caisse.

District five, Dr. Leary received the five democratic votes, Messrs. Eastman and Robert voted for Dr. Caisse, Mr. McCoy for Dr. Varnum and Mr. Tilton for Dr. McIntosh.

District six, Dr. Pierre Brunelle received eight votes, and Mr. Eastman voted for Dr. L. R. J. Varnum.

Supt. Donlan presented his monthly report as follows: Whole number of inmates, 380; deaths, 7; births, 1; tramps, 228.

Dr. Donlan then read his annual report, the full text of which will be found below. When he had finished the secretary was asked to look into the matter referred to in the superintendent's report in regard to consumptives.

Chairman Conley announced his committees as follows:

Accounts—Conley, McCoy and Dunn.

Care and repair of buildings—McDermott, Dunn and Tilton.

Dispensary—Foye, McCoy and Duff.

Out-door relief—McDermott, Foye and McCoy.

Wood yard—Dunn, Conley and Robert.

Agriculture, cattle and swine—Conley, McCoy and Foye.

Clothing, furniture and bedding—Duff, Robert and Conley.

Printing—Dunn, Conley and Eastman.

Provision and supplies—Duff, Tilton and Foye.

Insurance—Foye, Duff and Tilton.

Mr. Robert called attention to a couple of worthy cases in his ward and they were referred to the secretary, while Mr. McCoy offered them assistance from private sources.

After a discussion of the report of the committee on out-door relief in regard to the transfer of the wood yard which was presented in the shape of a blue print from the lands and buildings department for a one-story store at the ambulance yard, the board adjourned.

SUPT. DONLAN'S REPORT.

Supt. Donlan's annual report is as follows:

Lowell, Mass.,
Dec. 31, 1903.

To the Overseers of the Poor:

Gentlemen: I have the honor to present to you the following report of the city hospital and almshouse for the twelve months now ended:

On the first day of January of this year there remained in all departments of the almshouse 179 males and 239 females, and in the workhouse 37 males and 41 females, making a total of 496 inmates, of which 90 were in the hospitals and 24 in the nursery.

During the year there were 612 admissions to all departments of the almshouse while 152 prisoners were committed to the workhouse, mainly for drunkenness, making the total number cared for 1260 of which 348 were patients in the hospitals.

The discharges from the almshouse aggregated 653, of which 355 were males and 298 were females, while from the workhouse were discharged or pardoned 195, 100 males and 95 females.

Of the inmates remaining at the end of the year 72 were aliens.

There were 118 deaths, 50 males and 68 females, of the total 14 being due to acute diseases and 17 to tuberculosis alone. The necessity for better care of our consumptives I have urged on you before and can only beg your help in furthering my former plans.

There were 16 births in the maternity ward, eight of each sex, 44 per cent of the total being illegitimate.

THE TRAMP QUESTION.

One of the subjects with which we have to deal and which I regret to say has suffered neglect, owing to the pressure of matters of more immediate import, is the housing of tramps or vagrants, of which we harbored 1882 during the twelve months. They are required to saw wood or shovel snow or coal according to the season at which they apply, and as a rule do sufficient work to average a fair return for the entertainment accorded them.

During December and the latter part of November there was a noticeable increase over the preceding months of this year and the corresponding months of the previous years, and this can only be accounted for by charging it to the rounding up of the lodging houses in Boston.

If we are to continue receiving these travelers, and I see no possibility of discontinuing it, they should humanitarianly be given better quarters. Further than this for the safety of the public and ourselves every tramp should be compelled to take a shower bath and be examined by a physician so that those who are a menace may have their freedom curtailed, and not be allowed to depart in the morning for new territory with every probability of leaving disease in their train. This brings me to the necessity of having an interne to whom this work with other duties can be delegated.

Hospital care has to be given to at least a fourth of the inmates and this can not properly be done under the present system. The marvel is that you have not been subjected to more serious epidemics in the past.

There has been constant progress through the year as the obstacles interposed were less than in the year preceding, and I pray that your efforts be directed toward further improvement for there is no such thing as standing still; you must progress or you will retrograde.

BUILDINGS AND APPOINTMENTS.

I have twice requested and shall again repeat the request for an appropriation of ten thousand dollars to improve the physical conditions of the buildings. No one has denied the necessity, but the money has been each time refused on the ground that it should be expended by the buildings department and not by your board, and now the city solicitor has given a decision to that effect. I consider this decision conclusive and urge that you allow the superintendent of public buildings to perform the necessary repairs before we meet with some of the disasters that every day are becoming more threatening.

It is a waste of time for me to recount the absolutely urgent repairs that are needed as I have reiterated them so often that I am disheartened, but I cannot pass two items that are endangering the lives of both inmates and officers even while I am speaking to you. These are the floor of the laundry which is in imminent danger of collapse and the awful possibilities of fire, for the prevention of which no expense is too great. I have installed fire pails and extinguishers in addition to which there are stand pipes and about half enough hose. Your only safety, however, lies in preventing and not in the hope of extinguishing after discovery and to that end I again ask for the installation of electric lights and thermostats, the expense of both being comparatively small and their possibilities of immense advantage. Tin-clad doors are being put in all openings where possible, and I would suggest that automatic sprinklers be placed in the attics.

The necessity for an operating room you will appreciate when you remember that seventeen operations were performed during the year, one of which was a laparotomy, and despite the difficulties which we had to overcome it was successful. In this case it was necessary to wall off a bay window in one of the wings with sterile sheets and to cover the cracked floor and sticky ceiling in like manner, the preparation and then the removal of all this impedimenta consuming more time than would be necessary in preparing for twenty operations if we had decent facilities.

FLOATING POPULATION DECREASES.

The floating almshouse population has had a noticeable diminution which can be attributed to two causes. First, the labor difficulties in the spring, which prevented many of those who worthily try to care for themselves, when able, from going out and second, compulsory and hard labor imposed on a certain element of lazy hibernators made even the cold world outside preferable.

The installation of the card system for registration has enabled us to follow the movements of these chronic paupers to good advantage.

The farm and blacksmith shop averaged about as usual; a mattress shop was opened during the year which will keep the institution supplied; the carpenter shop turned out 112 pieces of new hospital furniture, exclusive of chair caning and repairs, and the sewing room produced 283 new articles of clothing and mended 853.

During the coming year the painting which was commenced 18 months ago will be completed, thus taking nearly three years to go thoroughly through the entire system.

A pavilion with awnings was added the past summer to the tent hospital, thus furnishing a desirable open air dining room for those patients who are able to rise during the day.

The chimneys which were crumbling away and a constant menace were recapped and a new system of sanitaries placed in the north wing of the women's building.

The boilers were relined and retubed at the instigation of the boiler inspector.

These repairs, the cost of which has to come out of the maintenance fund, together with the enormous increase in the price of coal this year, has materially increased the weekly per capita cost.

NEEDS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

During the coming year I hope to be able to arrange the help in such manner as to allow a night nurse for the male hospital. Under the present arrangement it has shown admirable results, but with none but inmates for attendants at night you lose part of the benefits derived during the day.

I again ask, however, for a clerk in the storehouse to check incoming and outgoing goods, in order to prevent that waste or neglect that must follow the handling of so large an amount of material by inmates who have no responsibility.

In the dispensary 2412 prescriptions are put up annually. Registration of the dispensaries has never been required, but after the unfortunate accidents that have occurred in other places this year you ought to safeguard yourself at least to the extent of having a registered pharmacist and this product you cannot get at the present salary.

With regard to the workhouse my first recommendation is that it be abolished. There is nothing to be said in favor of retaining it and much against it.

Under the present physical arrangement (and there is no chance for improvement) there is absolutely no separation between paupers and prisoners.

The best that can be said is that it is a cruel condition. It has been urged that the prisoners committed would be able to work, thereby saving the cost of paid labor. This is a fallacy, as the ratio of prisoners able to do labor of any value is small.

Again we have not the facilities for working such prisoners as are able to do hard labor in a manner to make confinement distasteful.

The number of commitments to the workhouse is about 30 per cent. less than during the previous year, but it is a question whether the matter of license has any bearing on this subject.

In conclusion, I beg your co-operation for you must know that after the abuses extending over so many years formidable difficulties lie in the path of improvement and you are also aware that divers sordid influences are constantly trying to disturb the harmony and efficiency of the administration of the office, which is essentially the heart of the plant.

While we all regret the need of an almshouse, since the necessity for its existence and increase will always continue, we should take pride in its adaptation to the relief of suffering and this depends on the perfection of its organization. Respectfully,

CHARLES E. DONLAN, M. D.

"DOC" AMES FREE

Supreme Court Quashed the Indictment

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 29. The supreme court today quashed the indictment against former Mayor Ames of Minneapolis and the entire court held that the indictment was faulty. Judges Stark Collins and Lewis concurred in the majority opinion that the offense was not proven, while Judges Lovely and Brown disagree with that part of the opinion of the majority. Dr. Ames was charged and convicted in the district court of Hennepin county of receiving money illegally as mayor of Minneapolis from women.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY.

The young people of the Swedish Methodist church enjoyed a sleighride to Pelham last night. The party, consisting of 30 members, left Merrimack square shortly before eight o'clock and after inspecting the town of Pelham, N. H., by moonlight, they returned to the city and enjoyed refreshments.

Lowell, Friday, January 29th, 1904.

A. G. Pollard & Co.

Today, Tomorrow and the Clean Sweep Sale

WILL BE HISTORY

A January selling that will remain long in our memory. An increase by many thousands of dollars over any previous January business. You gave us this increased trading first because we offered the lowest prices for seasonable merchandise and second you were confident that our "offerings" were just as we represented them. "Unexcelled Bargains." We intend that the Clean Sweep Sale shall finish as strong and lusty as it began. Hence these special offerings for today and tomorrow.

Double Dark Blue Trading Stamps All Over the Store Today and Tomorrow

BUY A BROOM! The Brooms which for the past month have valiantly marked "the most value for your money" are to be sold for half the regular prices.

There are 96 Brooms in all. The regular 30c. Brooms. They'll be for sale after 7.30 o'clock tomorrow, Saturday night, at only 15c each. One to a customer.

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

Golf Cloves reduced a half and a third in price, and a dollar's worth of extra Trading Stamps with each purchase. For a cold, wet, windy, snowy-blowy sort of a day there's nothing can equal a Woolen Golf Glove for comfort—and there's many days of winter yet to come.

Ladies' 50c and 75c Golf Cloves for 25c and 39c a pair.
Ladies' Cashmere Cloves, 62c value for 39c a pair.
Ladies' and Children's Mittens, 25c and 38c grades for 19c a pair.
Boys' Heavy Mittens, were 19c and 25c, for 10c and 19c a pair.

WEST SECTION—NORTH AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

LINENS

50c Bleached Damask, only	29c YARD
50c Unbleached Damask, only	29c YARD
59c Unbleached Damask, only	39c YARD
$1.25 Unbleached Damask, only	25c YARD
$2.00 Bleached Damask, only	$1.25 YARD
$1.25 and 75c Napkins, only	$1.00 A DOZ.
$3.50 Napkins, only	$2.50 PER DOZ.
$4.00 Napkins, only	$2.75 PER DOZ.
10c Huck Towels for	75c A DOZ.
15c Damask Towels for	10c EACH
25c Huck Towels for	19c EACH
$1.25 and $1.50 Fine Towels for	75c EACH

PALMER STREET—LEFT AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

MEN'S WEAR

What's left of the Sample Gloves, 25c, 50c, $1.00 and $1.50 kinds, only 15c, 33c, 59c and 98c PAIR

Colored Stiff Bosom Shirts, 75c, $1.00, and $1.25 grades, only 49c EACH

Shawknit Seconds of 50c quality Hose, only 12½c PAIR

Sweaters—the heavy Shaker sort, oxford, white and garnet, regular prices $4.00 and $5.00, only $2.75 and $3.75 EACH

Boys' Wool Sweaters, were $1.00 each, only 69c EACH

Underwear—Odd lots of 50c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.50 sort, reduced to 38c, 69c and 98c

Negligee Shirts, were 50c and 69c each, reduced to only 33c EACH

EAST SECTION—LEFT AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

CHILDREN'S HOSIERY AND UNDERWEAR

38c Stockings for	19c PAIR
50c Stockings for	25c PAIR
15c Stockings for	10c PAIR
50c Woolen Pants for	25c
50c Onelta Union Suits for	25c

EAST SECTION—LEFT AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

DRESS GOODS

Ends, Short Pieces and Good Remnants of Voiles, Whipcords, Granite Cloths, Nun's Veiling, Cashmeres, etc., were 59c and 75c, only 39c YARD

PALMER STREET—RIGHT AISLE.

TEA and COFFEE

FOR 92c—1 pound Coffee, ½ pound Tea, 5 pounds Sugar, 1 can Bensdorf Cocoa, for 92 CENTS

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

Final Sweep Prices

Draperies and Rugs

Our Annual before Inventory Selling is on. Muslin Curtains, Lace Curtains, Portieres, Lambrequins, Couch Covers, Tapestries, Pro. Brussel and Ingrain Art Squares, Tapestry and Velour Coverings, etc.; Gulmps of all sorts, reduced more than a third the usual regular prices will be much higher.

WEST SECTION—GALLERY.

Final Sweep Prices

Horse Blankets

All our 98c and $1.00 Stable Blankets at	75c EACH
All our $1.25 and $1.39 Stable Blankets at	98c EACH
All our $1.50 and $1.75 Stable Blankets at	$1.25 EACH
All our $1.00 Street Blankets at	75c EACH
All our $1.25, $1.39, $1.49 Street Blankets at	$1.09 EACH
A lot of $2.00 Street Blankets at	$1.49 EACH
A lot of $3.00 Street Blankets at	$2.25 EACH

These prices are to clear away the Blankets before we call off Stock tomorrow night. "It's a good time to buy," for next year the prices will be much higher.

PALMER STREET—BASEMENT.

Final Sweep Prices

TOILET GOODS

Colgate's Cashmere Bouquet and Violet Toilet Powder, Hudnut's Toilet and Face Powder, 25c and 50c packages, only 15c EACH

25c Almond Meal, only 10c

25c Eastman's Violet Toilet Water, only 10c BOTTLE

Final Sweep Prices

LEATHER GOODS

Young People's Purses of Seal or Walrus, were 25c, for 15c EACH

All our 35c and 50c Novelties marked to close 25c EACH

Final Sweep Prices

SILVER GOODS

All our Silver Novelties that have been 39c, 50c, 75c, reduced to 25c EACH

RIGHT AISLE—WEST SECTION.

Final Sweep Prices

UMBRELLAS

$3.00 to $5.00 Umbrellas marked $1.49, only 79c EACH

$1.50 to $3.00 Umbrellas marked 98c, only 79c EACH

EAST SECTION—NORTH AISLE.

SKETCHES AT THE BASKETBALL GAME LAST NIGHT.

THE GREATEST EVER

Lowell Won Fast Game From Natick Last Night

With everything against them Lowell's basketball players went in last night and won a game from Natick that seemed lost from the start.

You have read about "the greatest game ever" and "the most sensational of the season," etc., but such a game never occurred until last night. For almost two hours a crowd numbering 1800 people yelled, cheered and sang and then went away satisfied that for genuine sport, merriment and a good time they never invested money that was better spent. It was such a game that brings out all that is good in basketball. The men who fought during those strenuous moments had to use their brains to follow the work of their opponents. It was what the experts would call the most scientific contest of basketball ever seen anywhere and not until the latter part of the last period was it won.

ENTHUSIASM RAN HIGH.

For rooters you never saw the like of it. The Natick team came up on a special train accompanied by 200 of their good, loyal friends and a brass band. That they came is a matter for Manager Gray to congratulate himself on, for they taught the Lowell fans a lesson that was accepted last night, and if they only continue the progress they made last night Lowell will lose few games from now until the close of the season. The visiting rooters shouted themselves hoarse for the Natick team and the Lowell people took up the cue and yelled as they never did before.

No Lowell team ever received the encouragement that Capt. Abbott's team got last night. Once "Scotchy" started his favorite "We yell: We yell! Lowell! Lowell! L-o-w-e-l-l!" the cheering for the home team never stopped. Jimmy Gray, who was up in the gallery with some of the Boston rooters, was more than pleased and said it was worth more than a little to him to hear his team encouraged in that way. "After all," he said, "when it comes right down to an issue the Lowell people stand by you." "Peck" Donnelly was one of the loudest shouters for the Lowell men. After the second period he went to the Lowells' dressing room and gave the home team some good advice. "The Natick people are all in," he said, "and if you keep them well covered you will win." It was good coaching and the local lads followed his advice.

JIM REDMOND PLEASED.

When the score was tied at the close of the second period Jimmy Redmond, the former manager of the Burke team and one of the best posted men on basketball that could be run across, said that he never saw such a game. "Talk about playing," he said, "why that Lowell bunch never was forced to such a pace. Natick is tiring now, and if the Lowell boys hold out they will win. But for basketball I never saw teams fight for victory the way these fellows are battling. Talk about Burke-P. A. C. games, they were exciting all right, but the men were never forced the way they are tonight."

And so it was all around the hall.

The game itself brought all there is in basketball. Team work was the great feature and basket throwing was more accurate than in any other contest this season. Natick started off like a winner and indeed more than one-half of the people who went to the hall expected that the visitors would win. But right here is where they erred in judgment. At the close of the first period they had a lead of nine points and even Manager Gray and Jerry Murphy, the men who made the band play "Tossle," could see only defeat. But the men who wore the Lowell colors determined to make a last stand and it was a noble one. They fought an uphill game that few teams would tackle, and at the close of the second period the score was a tie at 19 each. Even Tom Ed Smith, who always roots his best for the Lowell team, could not believe his eyes when he saw the big figures put up on the score board. "Say," said Tom Ed, "those fellows have their bad games as well as the others, but just the same when it comes to a throw down Gray's men have them all beaten." Then Tom settled down for the third period, which brought victory. But before the playing began in this period the band played "Tessie" and the girls from Natick sang a song that told about Natick being a winner, and then when the Lowell men appeared on the playing surface the crowd broke into wild cheering. During this period the home team scored 16 points, while the best the visitors could do was to pile up four points.

The Natick rooters urged their team to go in and win, but the lead was too great and while the loyal rooters waved the green and red flags they took from the engine of the special train that brought them here, the Lowell boys went in and piled up the baskets. Cairns never played such a game as he did last night and his eye for the basket was the correct thing. Four times he landed the sphere safely, while Abbott, the hard working captain, led all with five baskets to his credit, two of the most difficult ones. Allard, too, was in championship form and he tossed four goals. Bill Holleron came next with two and his team work was superb. While Jack O'Neill is credited with only a single basket, it is to his credit that he scored that one at the critical part of the game. More than that Jack's passing was a revelation to his followers of the game and he took chances that others would refuse. It only goes to show what the writer has said many times that O'Neill is still in the game and not a back number by any means. Natick played a fine game, but they were gone after the first period because they started out to pile up a big score and simply were themselves out. Had they played a steady game and reserved their strength the result would have been closer.

When the game ended Joe Lynch said to the writer: "When we come here again we'll trim your team good and hard. The boys outplayed themselves tonight, that's all. We'll bring the rooters again and they will shout over a victory, not a defeat."

The lineup and summary:

LOWELL.	NATICK.
Allard lf	lb Healy
Abbott rf	lb Hayes
Cairns c	c Fallo
O'Neill lb	rf Punch
Holleron rb	lf Martens (Sheridan)

FIRST PERIOD.

Goal, Natick, Hayes.....2—0
Goal, Natick, Punch.....4—0
Goal, Natick, Fallo.....6—0
Goal, Lowell, Abbott.....8—2
Goal, Natick, Healy.....8—4
Goal, Lowell, Cairns.....8—6
Goal, Natick, Martens.....10—6
Goal, Lowell, Abbott.....10—8
Third foul, Lowell, Cairns.....11—8
Goal, Natick, Hayes.....13—8
Goal, Natick, Martens.....15—8

SECOND PERIOD.

Third foul, Lowell, Abbott.....16—8
Goal, Lowell, Allard.....16—10
Goal, Lowell, O'Neill.....16—12
Goal, Lowell, Abbott.....16—14
Goal, Lowell, Holleron.....18—14
Third foul, Natick, Fallo.....18—18
Goal, Lowell, Cairns.....16—17
Third foul, Lowell, Cairns.....17—17
Goal, Lowell, Abbott.....17—19
Goal, Natick, Martens.....19—19

THIRD PERIOD.

Third foul, Natick, Punch.....19—20
Goal, Natick, Punch.....21—20
Goal, Lowell, Abbott.....21—22
Goal, Lowell, Allard.....21—24
Third foul, Lowell, Holleron.....22—24
Goal, Lowell, Allard.....22—26
Third foul, Lowell, Abbott.....23—26
Third foul, Natick, Fallo.....23—27
Goal, Lowell, Cairns.....23—29
Goal, Lowell, Holleron.....23—31
Goal, Lowell, Cairns.....23—33
Goal, Lowell, Allard.....23—35

Score, Lowell 35, Natick 23. Goals from the floor, Hayes 2, Punch 2, Fallo 1, Abbott 5, Healy 1, Cairns 4, Martens 3, Allard 4, O'Neill 1, Holleron 2. Fouls committed, Abbott 3, Cairns 6, Fallo 4, Allard 2, O'Neill 5, Hayes 5, Punch 1, Holleron 1. Points on fouls, Lowell 3, Natick 5. Referee, William Marley of Lowell. Timekeepers, Bucky Halloran for Lowell and Hugh Healy for Natick. Attendance, 1800.

LAWRENCE 21, HAVERHILL 9.

LAWRENCE, Jan. 29.—The local basketball team easily defeated Haverhill here last night, 21 to 9. Horan was the only visitor who was able to throw a basket.

LAWRENCE.	HAVERHILL.
Tighue rf	lb Low
Sykes lf	rb Kelliher
Kane c	c Horan
Herron rb	lf Doyle
Pendergast lb	rf Harrington

Score—Lawrence 21, Haverhill 9. Baskets from the floor—Kane 5, Tighe 2, Pendergast, Sykes, Horan 2. Fouls—Herron 3, Pendergast 8, Kane, Sykes, Tighue 2, Harrington 4, Doyle 3, Kelliher 3, Low. Points on fouls—Lawrence 2, Haverhill 5. Referee—Crittenden. Timer—Ball. Time—15-minute periods. Attendance—800.

LOWELL TEAM LOST.

The Winchester Y. M. C. A. basketball team last night defeated the Lowell Y. M. C. A., 20 to 16, at Winchester. The home team found the visitors a tough proposition, but superior team work landed them the match. Winchester has won 11 out of 13 games played.

WINCHESTER.	LOWELL.
Smith lf	lf Johnson
Crawford rf	rf Pearson (Leeds)
Sharpe c	c Wilson
Harrold lb	lb Gray
Mitton rb	rb Myrick

Score—Winchester Y. M. C. A. 20, Lowell Y. M. C. A. 16. Goals from floor—Smith 3, Crawford, Sharon 2, Harrold 2, Mitton, Pearson 3, Wilson 2, Myrick. Goals on fouls—Crawford, Harrold, Pearson 3, Myrick. Fouls called—Winchester Y. M. C. A. 7, Lowell Y. M. C. A. 16. Fouls missed—Winchester Y. M. C. A. 13, Lowell Y. M. C. A. 9.

ANNUAL SUPPER

OR LADIES' NIGHT AT UNITARIAN CHURCH.

The annual supper of the male members of the First Unitarian church was held last night, but the occasion was really a ladies' night, for the lady friends of the members were present in large numbers and enjoyed the evening. G. F. Hamer, the church organist, gave a delightful organ recital from 6 till 6.30 o'clock.

At the close of the concert program the audience adjourned to the vestry, where a most sumptuous banquet was served, covers being laid for 250. After the banquet Rev. C. T. Billings introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. S. M. Crothers, D. D., of Cambridge, whose theme was "The Honest Miner of the Far West." The address was quite humorous and interesting.

During the evening Mrs. James Greig sang charmingly "I Once Had a Sweet Little Doll," "The Devoted Apple," and for an encore she responded with "Loch Lomond."

A. M. Brown of Lawrence sang "The Praise of Thee" and W. T. Reid contributed two numbers to the program, "Kavanough," and when recalled he gave "The Trunk Tale."

"Auld Lang Syne" was sung by the audience and parting grace was said.

CHINAMAN DEAD

Strange Crime Committed at Hanover Four Corners

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—One of the most brutal murders in southeastern Massachusetts in recent years was committed in the Masonic building at Hanover Four Corners some time in the noon hour yesterday, when Quong Sing, who had a laundry in the building, was throttled by a stranger and his head forced into a tub full of water and a large box filled with soap was placed on his head, holding it firmly below the surface and suffocating the unfortunate victim.

The murder and two robberies of houses in the immediate neighborhood complete the record for one day in that town.

Late yesterday afternoon Cyrus Ryan who has been employed at the Clapp rubber works, near the Four Corners was arrested as he stepped from a train in the south terminal, accompanied by the girl he was coming here to marry. He was locked up in the Tombs over night and will be arraigned in court at Abington today.

Quong Sing had run the laundry in the Masonic block on the side street leading from Broadway, for the last two years. He had three rooms on the first floor. He was the only Chinaman that had ever resided in the town and had built up a good business.

Like most Chinese laundrymen, he did his ironing in the front store, and he was at work there in the forenoon.

In the next room of the building is a barber shop kept by Bradford Snell, and beyond this is the market of W. D. Paxton.

In the forenoon both Mr. Snell and Mr. Paxton had called at the laundry to get water from the pump in the rear room, and being on good terms with John, as they called him, conversed considerably with him.

About 9 a. m. a stranger was seen to enter the laundry and was seen conversing with the Chinaman by people passing. Mr. Paxton saw the man when he called to get a bucket of water and he was also seen by Snell. When Snell called in there the stranger spoke to him and bade him "Good morning."

Mr. Paxton left the market at 11.55 to go to his dinner. He told his wife that there was a strange man hanging around the Chinese laundry and he did not like the looks of him. He hurried his dinner and went directly back to the market.

Meantime, Mr. Snell had also closed his barber shop and gone to lunch. With the departure of both these men there was no one left in the building but the Chinaman and the stranger. The stranger was standing in the store watching Quong Sing, who was ironing a shirt.

When Mr. Paxton returned from lunch he saw the door of the laundry slightly ajar. He went into the barber shop and asked Snell where John was. Snell replied that he had not seen him, and suggested that perhaps he had gone out for a few minutes. Mr. Paxton told Snell that they had better investigate. The men entered the laundry and passed into a rear room, which was used as a kitchen and wash room by Quong Sing.

This room looked as though there had been a hurricane. The washboiler and washing materials had been scattered all over the floor, and leading from the sink to a door to the drying room at the right was a trail of water.

Passing into the drying room, which is only about 10x4 feet, the investigators found, in the middle of the floor, a tub filled with water and the body of Quong Sing hanging out of it. His head was submerged in the water, and a heavy box filled with soap wedged it in firmly. One of his hands was raised as if warding off a blow.

One of the men seized the body and found that it was still warm. The box was removed, and Dr. Grovenstein and Dr. McMillan, who reside nearby, were summoned. Efforts were made to resuscitate the unfortunate man, but without success.

Mr. Snell then ran to the telephone office near the laundry and called up Chief Watts in Boston, notifying him of the murder, and also gave him a complete description of the stranger whom he had seen hanging around the laundry during the forenoon. Chief Watts said that he would put officers on the case at once, and Snell then notified Selectman Eben C. Waterman. The town police and Selectman Edward A. Bowker of Centre Hanover were notified to keep a sharp watch for the missing man.

THE MURDERER ARRESTED.

It was thought by the authorities that the stranger seen around the laundry would leave town by the noon train and officers were sent to watch it, but he did not appear. The next train for Boston left Hanover at 2.15 and at Curtis Crossing a strange man about 25 years of age and wearing a long black overcoat and a slouch hat got on the train. He had a zinc trunk with him and also a small satchel. There is no baggage master at Curtis Crossing, and Brakeman William Sylvester took charge of the trunk, and when the train arrived at South Hanover a baggage check was secured and was handed to the man.

The trainmen had no orders to look out for anybody, and did not for a moment suspect that the man who boarded the train at Curtis Crossing was the one that the police were in search of.

In the meantime a telegraphic description of the man had been sent to all the stations between Hanover and Boston, with orders to arrest him on sight.

At Braintree two officers boarded the train, and before they arrived in Boston the suspected man had been placed under arrest.

As soon as the train arrived in Boston they called up Hanover and W. F. Bates, one of the leading business men of the place, left on the first train for Boston. Later in the afternoon W. D. Saxton, Bradford Snell, William E. Hanley and Stanley Baker left for the city, and on their arrival identified the man as the one they had seen in the laundry during the forenoon.

When searched the revolver which Quong Sing had kept in the laundry was found. It was also believed that Quong Sing had lost his watch, but it was not found upon Ryan. When arrested there was a girl with Ryan, who it is said that he was to marry, and the Boston officers asked her to give them the watch. She reached into her dress and produced a watch which she claims that Ryan had given her. This watch could not be identified last night by the Hanover men.

Glenmore club dance at Prescott hall this evening. Hibbard's orchestra.

MUSICAL NIGHT

FINE PROGRAM AT THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

A fine musical and literary entertainment was held at the First Congregational church last evening by the American orchestra, assisted by Mrs. Jean W. Sherburne, Miss Mae Folger Stevens, Mr. David Martin and Rev. J. A. McKnight. Solon W. Stevens was the accompanist of the evening.

The program was as follows:

Grand March from "Folkunger" Kreichmer
American orchestra
A Day at Niagara .....Mark Twain
J. A. McKnight.
Violin solo
Master Hans Borjes.
The Guardian Angel .....Gounod
Mr. David Martin.
Suite Romantique, A Day in Venice.. ..... Neven
a. Dawn. b. Gondoliers. c. Venetian Love Song. d. Good Night.
American orchestra.
Piano, a. Nocturn in ab ....MacDowell
b. Russian Dance ..... Chopin
Mae F. Stevens.
Sap. solo, I Love You .....Sobeski
Mrs. Jean W. Sherburne.
Dotlonghandled Dipper .... Charles Follen Adams
J. A. McKnight.
Cornet solo
Mr. Bryant.
Jamie Butler's Mistake
J. A. McKnight.
The Burgomaster .....Leuders
American orchestra.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

OF HIGH STREET CHURCH MET LAST EVENING.

The prudential committee of the High street church and society met last evening and organized for the year with the election of George A. Marden as chairman and S. F. Whipple, secretary. It was voted to consolidate the three committees on heating and lighting, care of grounds and repairs into one committee in care of church property. This committee consists of Messrs. Nelson, Bailey and Barnes.

It was voted to fix the janitor's pay at $200 per year, his duties to be defined by the committee on church property. Messrs. Bacheller and Robertson were appointed a committee on pulpit supply and Messrs. Marden and Whidden on church subscriptions.

The committee adopted an address to the people sent out as a "feeler" before laying out plans for the year.

MATRIMONIAL

A pretty wedding took place Wednesday at the home of Mr. James Manley, Tewksbury, when their daughter, Katherine Irene, was united in marriage to John H. Kelley, the well-known operator for the Boston & Maine railroad. Mary Manley, the bride's sister, was bridesmaid and the groom's brother, Mr. Anthony G. Kelley, was best man. The bride was beautifully gowned in white china silk, while the bridesmaid wore pale blue silk. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley after a short honeymoon to Troy, N. Y., will reside at East Tewksbury, where Mr. Kelley has built a nice cottage. Mr. Kelley is well known as a baseball player, being captain of the Tewksbury high school team.

LOWELL MEN ATTENDED.

At the 15th annual meeting of the Massachusetts Co-operative Bank league, held in Boston yesterday, the Lowell people who attended were A. B. Woodworth, president of the Lowell Co-operative bank; Jesse Shepard, president of the Middlesex Co-operative bank; William D. Brown, secretary and treasurer of the Lowell and Middlesex banks, and George H. Taylor, director of the Lowell bank.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

The installation of officers of Court St. Paul, Catholic Order of Foresters, was held last evening in Vincent hall. Deputy High Chief Ranger Dr. A. G. Payette was the installing officer and he was assisted by Past Chief Ranger Azarie Thibault of Court St. Antoine and Arthur Lavoie. At the regular business meeting there were two initiatives and ten candidates for admission were balloted upon and deemed advisable. There were also two new applications.

The following were the officers installed: Chief ranger, George Labrie; sub-chief ranger, Leude Fourchemont; past chief ranger, Cleophas D'Anjou; financial secretary, Adelard Sylvester; treasurer, Edmund Laubert; trustee for one year, Alphonse Gagnon, Elzear Turcotte, Joseph Ducharme; first conductor, Arthur Mirault; second conductor, Napoleon Hivert; first sentinel, Laurent Richard; second sentinel, Noel Gilbert.

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DR. DONLAN'S REPORT

To Overseers Contains Important Recommendations

DR. P. E. SULLIVAN, AMBULANCE PHYSICIAN.

Overseers of Poor Complete Minor Elections—Dr. John F. Boyle Succeeds Dr. Frye as District Physician—One Change Among Ambulance Drivers

The overseers of the poor met at the city hospital yesterday and completed the election of minor officials.

Only two changes were made, Dr. John Boyle succeeding Dr. Frye as district physician and Michael F. McDermott succeeding John Cuff as ambulance driver.

Supt. Donlan submitted an interesting annual report reviewing the year's work and making several important recommendations. The report calls for better fire protection, better care of tramps with particular regard to their cleanliness as a safeguard against infection, the better care of the fast increasing number of cases of tuberculosis among inmates, and a resident registered pharmacist.

Chairman Conley called to order at 3.45 o'clock and all were present. The secretary read the roll call.

Mr. McDermott for the committee on outdoor relief reported progress in the matter of changing the wood yard, it being agreed to defer this matter until later.

Overseer Dunn moved that the election of district physicians be held. They were taken by districts and elected as follows: District one, Dr. T. J. Halloran; district two, Dr. A. J. Halpin; district three, Dr. John Boyle; district four, Dr. Omer B. Porter; district five; Dr. James E. Leary; district six, Dr. Pierre Brunelle.

Overseer McCoy moved the election of an ambulance surgeon and Dr. P. E. Sullivan received the entire nine votes.

On motion of Mr. McCoy a ballot was taken for dispensary clerk and Edwin Mason, the present incumbent, received eight. Overseer Dunn voting for Mr. Carroll.

The election was then ordered for four ambulance drivers, and they were elected as follows: Michael F. McDermott had seven votes, Mr. McCoy voting for John Cuff and Mr. Tilton for W. H. Yeoman, and Mr. McDermott was declared elected. James Gagahan received eight votes, Mr. Tilton voting for George Cady, and was declared elected. James McGlynn received five votes against four for Alfred Morrissette and was declared elected on a straight party vote, and the fourth driver, George B. McKenna, received the entire nine votes.

The vote for district physicians in detail was as follows: District one, Dr. T. J. Halloran, six votes, Messrs. McCoy and Robert voting for Dr. Caisse and Mr. Tilton for Dr. Varnum.

District two, Dr. Halpin received four democratic votes and that of Mr. McCoy. Messrs. Eastman and Robert voted for Dr. Varnum, Mr. Faye voting for Dr. Bertrand and Mr. Tilton for Dr. Caisse.

District three, Dr. Boyle received the five democratic votes, Messrs. Eastman and Robert voted for Dr. Caisse and Messrs. McCoy and Tilton for Dr. Frye.

District four, Dr. Porter received the five democratic votes and those of Messrs. McCoy and Tilton. Mr. Eastman voted for Dr. Frye and Mr. Robert for Dr. Caisse.

District five, Dr. Leary received the five democratic votes. Messrs. Eastman and Robert voted for Dr. Caisse, Mr. McCoy for Dr. Varnum and Mr. Tilton for Dr. McIntosh.

District six, Dr. Pierre Brunelle received eight votes, and Mr. Eastman voted for Dr. L. R. J. Varnum.

Supt. Donlan presented his monthly report as follows: Whole number of inmates, 380; deaths, 7; births, 1; tramps, 228.

Dr. Donlan then read his annual report, the full text of which will be found below. When he had finished the secretary was asked to look into the matter referred to in the superintendent's report in regard to consumptives.

Chairman Conley announced his committees as follows:

Accounts—Conley, McCoy and Dunn.

Care and repair of buildings—McDermott, Dunn and Tilton.

Dispensary—Faye, McCoy and Duff.

Out-door relief—McDermott, Faye and McCoy.

Wood yard—Dunn, Conley and Robert.

Agriculture, cattle and swine—Conley, McCoy and Faye.

Clothing, furniture and bedding—Duff, Robert and Conley.

Printing—Dunn, Conley and Eastman.

Provision and supplies—Duff, Tilton and Faye.

Insurance—Faye, Duff and Tilton.

Mr. Robert called attention to a couple of worthy cases in his ward and they were referred to the secretary, while Mr. McCoy offered them assistance from private sources.

After a discussion of the report of the committee on out-door relief in regard to the transfer of the wood yard which was presented in the shape of a blue print from the lands and buildings department for a one-story store at the ambulance yard, the board adjourned.

SUPT. DONLAN'S REPORT.

Supt. Donlan's annual report is as follows:

Lowell, Mass.,
Dec. 31, 1903.

To the Overseers of the Poor:

Gentlemen: I have the honor to present to you the following report of the city hospital and almshouse for the twelve months now ended:

On the first day of January of this year there remained in all departments of the almshouse 179 males and 239 females and in the workhouse 37 males and 41 females, making a total of 496 inmates, of which 30 were in the hospitals and 24 in the nursery.

During the year there were 612 admissions to all departments of the almshouse while 152 prisoners were committed to the workhouse, mainly for drunkenness, making the total number cared for 1260 of which 348 were patients in the hospitals.

The discharges from the almshouse aggregated 653, of which 355 were males and 298 were females, while from the workhouse were discharged or pardoned 195, 100 males and 95 females.

Of the inmates remaining at the end of the year 72 were aliens.

There were 118 deaths, 50 males and 68 females, of the total 14 being due to acute diseases and 17 to tuberculosis alone. The necessity for better care of our consumptives I have urged on you before and can only beg your help in furthering my former plans.

There were 16 births in the maternity ward, eight of each sex, 41 per cent of the total being illegitimate.

THE TRAMP QUESTION.

One of the subjects with which we have to deal and which I regret to say has suffered neglect, owing to the pressure of matters of more immediate import, is the housing of tramps or vagrants, of which we harbored 1882 during the twelve months. They are required to saw wood or shovel snow or coal according to the season at which they apply, and as a rule do sufficient work to average a fair return for the entertainment accorded them.

During December and the latter part of November there was a noticeable increase over the preceding months of this year and the corresponding months of the previous years, and this can only be accounted for by charging it to the rounding up of the lodging houses in Boston.

If we are to continue receiving these travelers, and I see no possibility of discontinuing it, they should unquestionably be given better quarters. Further than this for the safety of the public and ourselves every tramp should be compelled to take a shower bath and be examined by a physician so that those who are a menace may have their freedom curtailed, and not be allowed to depart in the morning for new territory with every probability of leaving disease in their train. This brings me to the necessity of having an interne to whom this work with other duties can be delegated.

Hospital care has to be given to at least a fourth of the inmates and this can not properly be done under the present system. The marvel is that you have not been subjected to more serious epidemics in the past.

There has been constant progress through the year as the obstacles interposed were less than in the year preceding, and I pray that your efforts be directed toward further improvement for there is no such thing as standing still; you must progress or you will retrograde.

BUILDINGS AND APPOINTMENTS.

I have twice requested and shall again repeat the request for an appropriation of ten thousand dollars to improve the physical conditions of the buildings. No one has denied the necessity, but the money has been each time refused on the ground that it should be expended by the buildings department and not by your board, and now the city solicitor has given a decision to that effect. I consider this decision conclusive and urge that you allow the superintendent of public buildings to perform the necessary repairs before we meet with some of the disasters that every day are becoming more threatening.

It is a waste of time for me to recount the absolutely urgent repairs that are needed as I have reiterated them so often that I am disheartened, but I cannot pass two items that are endangering the lives of both inmates and officers even while I am speaking to you. These are the floor of the laundry which is in imminent danger of collapse and the awful possibilities of fire, for the prevention of which no expense is too great. I have installed fire pails and extinguishers in addition to which there are stand pipes and about half enough hose. Your only safety, however, lies in preventing and not in the hope of extinguishing after discovery and to that end I again ask for the installation of electric lights and thermostats, the expense of both being comparatively small and their possibilities of immense advantage. Tin-clad doors are being put in all openings where possible, and I would suggest that automatic sprinklers be placed in the attics.

The necessity for an operating room you will appreciate when you remember that seventeen operations were performed during the year, one of which was a laparotomy, and despite the difficulties which we had to overcome it was successful. In this case it was necessary to wall off a bay window in one of the wings with sterile sheets and to cover the cracked floor and shaky ceiling in like manner, the preparation and then the removal of all this impedimenta consuming more time than would be necessary in preparing for twenty operations if we had decent facilities.

FLOATING POPULATION DECREASES.

The floating almshouse population has had a noticeable diminution which can be attributed to two causes. First, the labor difficulties in the spring, which prevented many of those who worthily try to care for themselves, when able, from going out and second, compulsory and hard labor imposed on a certain element of lazy hibernatory made even the cold world outside preferable.

The installation of the card system for registration has enabled us to follow the movements of these chronic paupers to good advantage.

The farm and blacksmith shop averaged about as usual; a mattress shop was opened during the year which will keep the institution supplied; the carpenter shop turned out 112 pieces of new hospital furniture, exclusive of chair caning and repairs, and the sewing room produced 923 new articles of clothing and mended 835.

During the coming year the painting which was commenced 18 months ago will be completed, thus taking nearly three years to go thoroughly through the entire system.

A pavilion with awnings was added the past summer to the tent hospital, thus making a desirable open air dining room for those patients who are able to rise during the day.

The chimneys which were crumbling away and a constant menace were recapped and a new system of sanitaries placed in the north wing of the women's building.

The boilers were relined and retubed at the instigation of the boiler inspector.

These repairs, the cost of which has to come out of the maintenance fund, together with the enormous increase in the price of coal this year, has materially increased the weekly per capita cost.

NEEDS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

During the coming year I hope to be able to arrange the help in such manner as to allow a night nurse for the male hospital. Under the present arrangement it has shown admirable results, but with none but inmates for attendants at night you lose part of the benefits derived during the day.

I again ask, however, for a clerk in the storeroom to check incoming and outgoing goods, in order to prevent that waste or neglect that must follow the handling of so large an amount of material by inmates who have no responsibility.

In the dispensary 212 prescriptions are put up annually. Registration of the dispensaries has never been required, but after the unfortunate accidents that have occurred in other places this year you ought to safeguard yourself at least to the extent of having a registered pharmacist and this product you cannot get at the present salary.

With regard to the workhouse my first recommendation is that it be abolished. There is nothing to be said in favor of retaining it and much against it.

Under the present physical arrangement and there is no chance for improvement there is absolutely no separation between paupers and prisoners.

The best that can be said is that it is a cruel condition. It has been urged that the prisoners committed would be able to work, thereby saving the cost of paid labor. This is a fallacy, as the ratio of prisoners able to do labor of any value is small.

Again we have not the facilities for working such prisoners as are able to do hard labor in a manner to make confinement distasteful.

The number of commitments to the workhouse is about 30 per cent less than during the previous year, but it is a question whether the matter of license has any bearing on this subject.

In conclusion, I beg your co-operation for you must know that after the abuses extending over so many years formidable difficulties lie in the path of improvement and you are also aware that diverse sordid influences are constantly trying to disturb the harmony and efficiency of the administration of the office, which is essentially the heart of the plant.

While we all regard the need of an almshouse, since the question for its existence and increase will always continue, we should take pride in its adaptation to the relief of suffering and this depends on the perfection of its organization. Respectfully,

CHARLES E. DONLAN, M. D.

"DOC" AMES FREE

Supreme Court Quashed the Indictment

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 29—The supreme court today quashed the indictment against former Mayor Ames of Minneapolis and the entire court held that the indictment was faulty. Judges Stark Collins and Lewis concurred in the majority opinion that the offense was not proven, while Judges Lovely and Brown disagree with that part of the opinion of the majority. Dr. Ames was charged and convicted in the district court of Hennepin county of receiving money illegally as mayor of Minneapolis from women.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY.

The young people of the Swedish Methodist church enjoyed a sleighride to Pelham last night. The party, consisting of 30 members, left Merrimack square shortly before eight o'clock and after inspecting the town of Pelham, N. H., by moonlight, they returned to the city and enjoyed refreshments.

Lowell, Friday, January 29th, 1904.

A. G. Pollard & Co.

Today, Tomorrow and the Clean Sweep Sale

—WILL BE HISTORY—

A January selling that will remain long in our memory. An increase by many thousands of dollars over any previous January business. You gave us this increased trading first because we offered the lowest prices for seasonable merchandise and second you were confident that our "offerings" were just as we represented them. "Unexcelled Bargains." We intend that the Clean Sweep Sale shall finish as strong and lusty as it began. Hence these special offerings for today and tomorrow.

Double Dark Blue Trading Stamps All Over the Store Today and Tomorrow

BUY A BROOM! The Brooms which for the past month have valiantly marked "the most value for your money" are to be sold for half the regular prices.

There are 96 Brooms in all. The regular 30c. Brooms. They'll be for sale after 7.30 o'clock tomorrow, Saturday night, at only 15c each. One to a customer.

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

Golf Gloves reduced a half and a third in price, and a dollar's worth of extra Trading Stamps with each purchase. For a cold, wet, windy, snowy-blowy sort of a day there's nothing can equal a Woolen Golf Glove for comfort—and there's many days of winter yet to come.

Ladies' 50c and 75c Golf Gloves for 25c and 39c a pair.
Ladies' Cashmere Gloves, 62c value for 39c a pair.
Ladies' and Children's Mittens, 25c and 38c grades for 19c a pair.
Boys' Heavy Mittens, were 19c and 25c, for 10c and 19c a pair.

WEST SECTION—NORTH AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

LINENS

50c Bleached Damask, only	29c YARD
50c Unbleached Damask, only	29c YARD
59c Unbleached Damask, only	39c YARD
$1.25 Unbleached Damask, only	25c YARD
$2.00 Bleached Damask, only	$1.25 YARD
$1.25 and 75c Napkins, only	$1.00 A DOZ.
$3.50 Napkins, only	$2.50 PER DOZ.
$4.00 Napkins, only	$2.75 PER DOZ.
10c Huck Towels for	75c A DOZ.
15c Damask Towels for	10c EACH
25c Huck Towels for	19c EACH
$1.25 and $1.50 Fine Towels for	75c EACH

PALMER STREET—LEFT AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

MEN'S WEAR

What's left of the Sample Gloves, 25c, 50c, $1.00 and $1.50 kinds, only 15c, 33c, 59c and 98c PAIR

Colored Stiff Bosom Shirts, 75c, $1.00, and $1.25 grades, only 49c EACH

Shawknit Seconds of 50c quality Hose, only 12½c PAIR

Sweaters—the heavy Shaker sort, oxford, white and garnet, regular prices $4.00 and $5.00, only $2.75 and $3.75 EACH

Boys' Wool Sweaters, were $1.00 each, only 69c EACH

Underwear—Odd lots of 50c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.50 sort, reduced to 38c, 69c and 98c

Negligee Shirts, were 50c and 69c each, reduced to only 33c EACH

EAST SECTION—LEFT AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

CHILDREN'S HOSIERY AND UNDERWEAR

38c Stockings for	19c PAIR
50c Stockings for	25c PAIR
15c Stockings for	10c PAIR
50c Woolen Pants for	25c
50c Onelta Union Suits for	25c

EAST SECTION—LEFT AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

DRESS GOODS

Ends, Short Pieces and Good Remnants of Voiles, Whipcords, Granite Cloths, Nun's Veiling, Cashmeres, etc., were 59c and 75c, only 39c YARD

PALMER STREET—RIGHT AISLE.

TEA and COFFEE

FOR 92c—1 pound Coffee, ½ pound Tea, 5 pounds Sugar, 1 can Bensdorf Cocoa, for 92 CENTS

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

Final Sweep Prices

Draperies and Rugs

Our Annual before Inventory Selling is on. Muslin Curtains, Lace Curtains, Portieres, Lambrequins, Couch Covers, Tapestries, Pro. Brussel and Ingrain Art Squares, Tapestry and Velour Coverings, etc.; Gulmps of all sorts, reduced more than a third the usual regular prices will be much higher.

WEST SECTION—GALLERY.

Final Sweep Prices

Horse Blankets

All our 98c and $1.00 Stable Blankets at	75c EACH
All our $1.25 and $1.39 Stable Blankets at	98c EACH
All our $1.50 and $1.75 Stable Blankets at	$1.25 EACH
All our $1.00 Street Blankets at	75c EACH
All our $1.25, $1.39, $1.49 Street Blankets at	$1.09 EACH
A lot of $2.00 Street Blankets at	$1.49 EACH
A lot of $3.00 Street Blankets at	$2.25 EACH

These prices are to clear away the Blankets before we call off Stock tomorrow night. "It's a good time to buy," for next year the prices will be much higher.

PALMER STREET—BASEMENT.

Final Sweep Prices

TOILET GOODS

Colgate's Cashmere Bouquet and Violet Toilet Powder, Hudnut's Toilet and Face Powder, 25c and 50c packages, only 15c EACH

25c Almond Meal, only 10c

25c Eastman's Violet Toilet Water, only 10c BOTTLE

Final Sweep Prices

LEATHER GOODS

Young People's Purses of Seal or Walrus, were 25c, for 15c EACH

All our 35c and 50c Novelties marked to close 25c EACH

Final Sweep Prices

SILVER GOODS

All our Silver Novelties that have been 39c, 50c, 75c, reduced to 25c EACH

RIGHT AISLE—WEST SECTION.

Final Sweep Prices

UMBRELLAS

$3.00 to $5.00 Umbrellas marked $1.49, only 79c EACH

$1.50 to $3.00 Umbrellas marked 98c, only 79c EACH

EAST SECTION—NORTH AISLE.

IN POLICE COURT

Man Who Helped Himself to Cigars

WAS SENTENCED TO TWO MONTHS IN JAIL

Two Juvenile Cases in Court

Michael J. Finnerty, the young man who visited small stores representing himself to be a United States revenue officer for the purpose of getting free smokes, in police court today pleaded guilty to two complaints charging him with larceny and was sentenced to two months in jail. Finnerty called at Mrs. Boyle's store in Salem street a few days ago and told her he was a U. S. revenue officer and had visited her store for the purpose of taking samples of her cigars, cigarettes and tobacco. He said if they were up to the standard he would return them. He went behind the counter and helped himself to two cigars, a box of cigarettes and plug of tobacco. He also called at Annie Cullin's store in the same street and told her the same story. He went behind the counter and took one cigar. When asked by the court if he had any explanation to make, he answered no.

Matthew J. Wilton, charged with illegally exposing and keeping for sale intoxicating liquors, had his case continued to Feb. 3.

John J. Walsh, charged with drunkenness, failing to provide proper support for his wife, Annie M. Walsh, was sentenced to three months in jail. The sentence was suspended and he was placed in the hands of the probation officer.

Joseph McMahon and Everett Fall, two boys, were charged with taking a horse without having proper consent so to do. The McMahon boy acknowledged that he took the horse, but supposed it would be all right as the owner of the horse, Mr. Eben Bray, had allowed him to take the horse on several occasions. The Fall boy did not know that the McMahon boy had taken the horse without having Mr. Bray's consent. He was asked to take a ride, he said, and he took it. The McMahon boy was placed in the hands of the probation officer and the Fall boy had his case placed on file.

Bannister D. Marsden, charged with non-support, was sentenced to three months in jail. The sentence was suspended and he was placed in the hands of the probation officer for a term of six months. The complainant was his wife, Lillian Marsden.

Two drunken offenders, their first appearance before the court within a year, were fined $2 each and one was released.

DR. GUY HOLBROOK

Thrown From a Sleigh and Hurt

Dr. Guy Holbrook, chairman of the board of health, had a narrow escape from being badly hurt yesterday by being thrown from a sleigh in Chelmsford Centre. Frank H. Bachelder, who was driving the sleigh, was also thrown out, but escaped unhurt.

Yesterday Dr. Holbrook received word from Mr. Bachelder that he was wanted at the latter's residence in Chelmsford Centre, and when the doctor reached the village, having travelled there on the electric cars, he was met by Mr. Bachelder who drove him to his residence. Dr. Holbrook made the call and when ready to return to this city he was informed that the cars were not running on good time and Mr. Bachelder volunteered to drive him as far as Jenness street where a car could be procured.

After passing the drug store in the village a snow plow and car passed the sleigh and the horse driven by Mr. Bachelder became frightened and started down the road at a high rate of speed. On reaching Dr. Howard's residence the animal took to the sidewalk where two trees and a telephone pole are located, and while trying to pass between these obstacles the sleigh struck the tree and the occupants of the sleigh were thrown out.

Dr. Holbrook struck against one of the trees and at first it was thought he had sustained a fractured skull, but when examined by Dr. Howard it was found that the most severe injury was a cut on the scalp which required two stitches. He also sustained other minor bruises and scratches and one of his hands was wrenched.

Mr. Bachelder escaped unhurt. The horse continued to run until he reached Jenness street where he was captured. Dr. Holbrook was able to return to this city on a train later in the day.

MILKMAN HURT

IN THE OVERTURNING OF HIS SLEIGH.

William J. Quirk, a milkman in the employ of Henry Currier of Pelham, N. H., had a narrow escape from being badly hurt shortly before nine o'clock this morning by the milk sleigh which he was driving tipping over and falling on top of him.

Quirk was delivering milk in West street, Centralville, and while attempting to turn his horse around in the deep snow the sleigh was overturned and Quirk was hurled beneath the sleigh and the pile of milk cans and bottles. He fell in such a manner that his right foot was wedged between the sleigh and the curbing.

The ambulance was summoned and he was removed to St. John's hospital where it was found that his right ankle was broken. The attending physicians dressed his ankle.

ACCIDENT ON THE LAWRENCE.

Jose Crevier, residing at 470 Moody street, while at work in the Lawrence Manufacturing Co., this morning, shortly before eight o'clock, had his right hand caught between the rollers of a box planer, causing the laceration of that hand. The ambulance was summoned and he was removed to the Lowell hospital where his hand was dressed.

THE LATE LIEUT. P. S. WEBSTER.

LIEUT. WEBSTER

Popular Fireman of Hose 9 Died Suddenly

Peter S. Webster, lieutenant of Hose 9, in Lincoln street, died very suddenly shortly after 1 o'clock this morning, death having resulted from neuralgia of the heart.

The deceased was around the firehouse yesterday enjoying the best of health and last night made a tour of the district around the station to see if any of the street lights were out and returning went to bed about 9 o'clock.

At 10.30 o'clock George Chapman, a call man who sleeps in the firehouse, went to bed and saw Webster who was sound asleep at the time. At 12.25 Webster awoke and complained of a pain across his chest and told Chapman to go for the doctor. Chapman dressing himself, hurried to the residence of Dr. Wesley Sawyer, which is nearby, and the doctor was soon on hand, but despite all that medical skill could do he passed away at nine minutes past one this morning.

The deceased had been a member of the fire department since May, 1884, and had seemed to be enjoying good health of late, excepting that he complained of what he termed dyspepsia, but an examination showed that death resulted from neuralgia of the heart and in all probability it was the neuralgia instead of dyspepsia which was troubling him.

Mr. Webster's family, which consists of his wife and two children, resides at 249 London street, and though they were sent for when it was found that he was dying, they did not arrive until after his death. He was removed to his home this morning by Undertaker C. M. Young & Co. He was 56 years, 4 months and 7 days old.

GERMAN FORCES

Meet Severe Reverses in Southwest Africa

BERLIN, Jan. 29.—The commander of the German gunboat Habicht lying at Swakopomund, German Southwest Africa, cables that he has received news from Lieut. Zeulow, in command of the German forces at Okahandja (a mission station 80 miles from Walfish bay) that the Kafirs have effected a junction with the Hereros who are besieging that post. As Okahandja was already hard pressed the announcement has caused concern at the colonial office here.

SOME HARD FIGHTING.

BERLIN, Jan. 29.—The following dispatch from Lieut. Zuelow, sent by messenger via Karibib, was received here today:

"OKAHANDJA, Jan. 20—Am holding Okahandja. Occupied it Jan. 15 with 200 men after heavy fighting. Am waiting for guns from the Habicht. Ask for a division of artillery. Weak corps with machine gun from Windhoek repulsed 12th and 13th. Loss reported, eight reserves.

"In order to establish connections with the rear and bring forward military transports we attempted today with 60 men to reach Karibib by rail."

A later dispatch dated Jan. 21, says:

"Yesterday afternoon near Kawatuerasane, between Waldas and Okasise, there was a sharp fight. A division of about 70 men strong, sent forward by rail, lost 4 dead and 3 slightly wounded. The enemy lost 20 to 25 dead.

"As the bridge was destroyed am trying to send news from Karibib through trustworthy natives.

"We can hold out for some time yet."

WOMAN BURNED

Had Narrow Escape From Terrible Death

BUT FOR HUSBAND SHE WOULD HAVE PERISHED

Mrs. Green in a Very Critical Condition

Mrs. Celia Green, of 20 Franklin court, off Brooks street, had a narrow escape from being burned to death at her home last evening. She now lies in a critical condition at St. John's hospital. Inquiry at the hospital this morning brought out the fact that she had spent a bad night, suffering a great deal from the burns sustained.

The accident happened shortly after six o'clock, while Mrs. Green was lighting a lamp preparatory to taking it out and placing it in a hallway. Taking the lamp down from a shelf she removed the chimney and lighting a match applied it to the wick. After lighting the wick she threw the match, which she thought had burned out, on the floor. The match continued to burn and set fire to a newspaper which was on the floor.

While Mrs. Green was regulating the lamp the newspaper continued to burn, and in a very short space of time the flames communicated with her dress, the first hint of danger being the heat of the flames behind. Turning around to find the cause she was horrified to see the back of her dress ablaze. The dress was of a light material and was an easy prey for the flames. She attempted to put the fire out, but was unsuccessful.

In her excitement she ran about the kitchen screaming for help, the flames all the time creeping upward around her on account of the draft caused by her rapid movements.

The woman's husband was reading in another room and he rushed to his wife's assistance and by most strenuous efforts finally succeeded in extinguishing the flames, not, however, until they had inflicted very painful injuries about the woman's thighs, hips and back. Mr. Green's hands were badly scorched.

The ambulance was summoned and both were taken to St. John's hospital. On the way to the hospital Dr. P. E. Sullivan applied temporary treatment.

A report from the hospital stated that while the condition of Mrs. Green was of a very serious nature, it was not necessarily fatal. Mr. Green sustained superficial burns about the hands and wrists.

VALUE OF LIFE

Rep. McManus Sets it at $25,000

Representative McManus of Natick has put in a bill making the limit for which a person can sue in case of death of a relative at $25,000 instead of $5000, which is now the law. In New York state there is no limit to the amount for which such a suit can be brought.

CHECK FOR FIREMEN.

Another check of $50 has been added to the Lowell firemen's relief fund, a letter from Fred N. Weir this morning having the check enclosed. The check is sent in recognition of the good service performed by the local firemen at the fire in the old Odd Fellows' block in Merrimack street on the morning of the ninth of this month.

The following is the letter received by Chief Hosmer this morning:

Lowell, Mass.,
Jan. 28, 1904.

Edward S. Hosmer, President Firemen's Fund Association:

Dear Sir: Enclosed please find my check for $50, a contribution to the Firemen's Fund association in appreciation of the intelligent work of the fire department at the fire in Odd Fellows' building on Merrimack street on the morning of Jan. 9th, last.

Very truly,
F. N. WEIR.

Never Refuse

to advertise in a paper with a large circulation because you do not agree with its views on public questions. It is not to the paper that you appeal for trade, but to its readers. If you solicit patronage from those only who think as you do, you had better go out of business before you lose every dollar you have.

You may not agree with THE SUN on all questions, but if you take the trouble to look into its circulation, you will agree that you cannot afford to be out of its columns if you advertise at all.

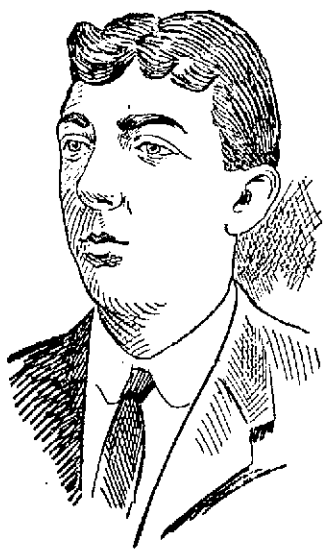
LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER

OFFICERS CHOSEN

By Evening High School Class 1904

The first meeting of the class of 1904 of the Evening High school was held in room 4, High school building, last night. The meeting was called for the purpose of electing officers and the contests for places was most spirited. The result of the balloting was as follows:

President, John James Kelley; vice-president, Michael O'Brien; secretary, Miss Nora Curtin; treasurer, Miss Agnes Tully.



JOHN J. KELLEY.

INJURED BY TOY PISTOL.

Napoleon Heroux, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon Heroux, of 88 Austin street, met with a painful accident while playing with a toy pistol Wednesday. The pistol was loaded with powder and accidentally went off in the boy's face.

His right eyelid was badly burned, though the eye itself escaped injury. Dr. Rochette was called to attend the boy.

TO KILL OFFICIALS

Entering Macedonia on Reform Mission

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 29.—The porte has notified the Austrian and Russian embassies that the Macedonian committees have arranged with the Albanians for liberal rewards, to have them kill every foreign officer sent into the provinces in connection with the re-organization of the gendarmerie under the reform scheme of the powers. The porte, therefore, objects to the officers wearing foreign uniforms, as their lives are thereby endangered.

CHISHOLM WON

Had Easy Thing With Kid Goldstein

CHISHOLM SHOWED BIG IMPROVEMENT

At Riverview Club Smoke Talk

The Riverview club held its weekly smoke talk at Dewey Grove, last night, and aside from the musical and literary program presented three fine boxing bouts for the entertainment of the large number of members present.

The first preliminary was between Young Kale and Kid Lavelle, both of Lawrence, and neither one of them could write a book on the game, still they went six lively rounds, during which Kale came near being precipitated in the tureen in the fourth round.

In the second preliminary Matt Carney and Tom Marshall had a friendly go of six rounds, introducing science and fun. They were presented with two invitations to retire after they had tapped each other for four rounds.

The main bout was between Billy Chisholm of this city and Kid Goldstein of New York. Both men were in excellent shape and though Chisholm has not appeared in the ring for some time he showed up finely and has improved remarkably. Though the bout was scheduled for only six rounds that many were not necessary for in the fifth the Liddesher boy sailed away to the golden ghetto and remained there the necessary 10 seconds. The entire five rounds were all Chisholm's and in the second he put the Kid to the carpet. Chisholm showed more speed than ever before and had the old punch with him.

Luke Welch officiated as referee and Jimmie Kelly of Revere refereed the preliminaries.

Freddie Mallison rendered several songs and Fred Russell presided at the piano.

TEN CENT FARE

BETWEEN LAWRENCE AND LOWELL IS SUGGESTED.

C. Callahan asks for a 10-cent fare on street railways between Lowell and Lawrence.

EARL OF DEVON DEAD.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The earl of Devon (Rev. Sir Henry Hugh Courtenay) rector of Powderham, Deon, is dead. He was born July 15, 1811, and held an extensive estate.

Dr. Guy Holbrook, of this city, has taken a residence down town at the New American House. Telephone 893-4.

BUY YOUR

Pianos and Music

—at—

M. STEINERT & SONS CO.

130 Merrimack Street

The Most Reliable Piano House

SPECIAL SALE OF

Heating Stoves

Wishing to close out the balance of our stock of Heating Stoves we have reduced the prices from

35 to 50 PER CENT.

You cannot afford to do without a stove if you have not bought one yet.

Great Bargains this week in Sideboards, Dressers, Dining Tables, Beds and Bedding.

BORNSTEIN & QUINN

FURNITURE, STOVES AND CARPETS.

118-120 GORHAM STREET

A REAL MARK DOWN SALE

NEW DESIRABLE GOODS TO BE SACRIFICED FOR LESS THAN COST

We Give Blue Trading Stamps

NO BLUFFS
NO DECEPTIONS

We Give Blue Trading Stamps

Our record of 15 years of honest merchandising can be depended on and every item shown at this sale is guaranteed as represented. SALE NOW ON.

JACKETS

More desirable Jackets offered than the combined values of half a dozen departments.

$5.00, $8.00 and $10 Jackets, now **$3.90**

$12, $13.50 and $15 Jackets, now **$5.90**

$16.50, $18.50 and $20 Jackets, now **$7.50**

$21.50, $24.50 and $30.00 Jackets, now **$12.50**

CHILDREN'S COATS.

$6.00 Coats, now..... $2.90
$8.00 Coats, now..... $3.90
$9.00 Coats, now..... $4.00
$10.00 Coats, now..... $5.90
$12.00 Coats, now..... $6.90

CAPES

Immense values in Ladies' Capes, at $3.90, $6.90, $10.90, worth from $6.98 to $18.00.

WAISTS

In Lots.

One lot, choice 25c, worth $1.00.

One lot, choice 49c, worth $1.25.

One lot silk, choice $3.90, worth $4.98, $5.98, $6.98.

One lot, choice 98c, worth $1.98, $2.98, and $3.98.

FURS

Our stock of Furs is not very large, but it includes more values than we have seen this season.

See the Bargains.

One lot Fur Scarfs and Muffs, some were $5.75, $6.98, $7.98.

Choice $2.98

All Furs less than half price.

SUITS

Worth $12.98, now..... $3.98
Worth $15.00, now..... $4.98
Worth $16.50, now..... $5.98
Worth $20.00, now..... $8.90

SKIRTS

Walking and Dress Skirts.

Some were sold for $4.98, $5.98 and $6.98. All on one table.

Choice $2.98

New York Cloak & Suit Company 12 JOHN STREET
Old Reliable Store

TRIED A SWINDLE

William F. Mannix Tried to Work Governor Bates

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—William F. Mannix, formerly a newspaper correspondent, who was expelled from Cuba in 1896 by the Spanish authorities, was arrested yesterday afternoon at the state house by Inspector Harris and Detective Rhodes. The charge against him was forgery of the name of Geo. B. Cortelyou, secretary of the department of commerce and labor, to a check for $25, which he uttered upon John E. Breslin, keeper of the Hampton house at Haymarket square.

In addition to this direct charge, Mannix is suspected of having attempted to swindle Gov. John L. Bates by procuring his identification for the purpose of cashing a worthless draft, which, drawn in favor of Mannix, had been sent a short time ago to the governor from the hotel Raleigh, Washington, by someone representing himself as the father of Mannix.

The letter to the governor with which the draft was inclosed was signed "William F. Mannix," and was to the effect that his son was soon to visit Massachusetts, coming from Montreal. The request was made that the governor deliver to the boy, on his appearance, the draft, which was on the Columbia national bank of Washington and for $50. It was drawn by "William F. Mannix" to the order of "William F. Mannix." On the reverse was "Payable to William F. Mannix, Jr.," but there was no endorsement.

SOWING THE SEED.

As long ago as Sept. 1 Governor Bates received a letter from Minnesota signed by William F. Mannix, a person unknown to him, requesting the governor's opinion as to the proper titles for governors, president, etc. The governor answered this letter, and nothing more was heard from Mr. Mannix until last week.

Then came another letter in which Mr. Mannix thanked the governor for his favor of reply to the prior letter, and warmly expressed his admiration for Massachusetts, Governor Bates and everything connected with the old Bay state. Incidentally he said in the letter that his son, William F. Mannix, Jr., was in Montreal, but was about to visit Boston. He would call on the governor, who had been so kind to his father in answering that first letter. In this letter he inclosed the draft with the request that the governor hand it to the young man.

Wednesday young Mannix was heard from when he called at the state house and inquired of Secretary Hurtubis whether there was a draft awaiting him there.

He was told that there was, and invited to come to the state house.

In the afternoon he made his appearance and was received by Governor Bates, to whom he brought a few offerings in the shape of a piece of stone, which he said was from the wall of China, a bit of the bridge in the "Forbidden City," a little china plate and four Chinese coins.

He spoke about his father and how delighted he had been with the governor's kindness some months ago. Mr. Mannix was given the draft and then asked the governor to identify him. The governor turned to his private secretary, really suspecting nothing, and asked the latter to identify him, but Secretary Hurtubis told the young man that the state treasurer's office was closed and he then suggested that he would like a little money till next day. The secretary finally gave him $5 to tide him over the night. He told Mannix to come up again yesterday and he would identify him.

PRODUCTIVE INQUIRIES.

Meanwhile Sec. Hurtubis, to whom the young man had been turned over, became satisfied that something was wrong, and he therefore started a series of inquiries. One of the results was obtaining information from Washington that no William F. Mannix had funds at the Columbia national bank.

The secretary also received a telephone message from the Vendome that the hotel had received a letter with a check for Mannix, Jr., inclosed.

The letter, written on note paper of the hotel Raleigh, Washington, said the writer's son was soon to visit Boston as the guest of Gov. Bates. The manager of the hotel was asked to deliver the check to the son, who would stay at the Vendome. The check was drawn on a bank in Wayzata, Minn., which is a summer resort, 14 miles from Minneapolis. W. H. Mannix in the letter claimed to live at Round Lake, Minn. The letter was held at the Vendome a week and sent to the police.

When Mannix, Jr., called at the executive department yesterday morning for his draft and identification he was told that the state treasurer was not in his office and that he alone in the treasury department could pay the money on the draft. Mr. Mannix was therefore invited to call at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

The young man went away, and Sec. Hurtubis went to the Adams house, where Mannix was stopping. On the registry book he found the entry "William F. Mannix and wife, Wayzata, Minn." He compared the handwriting on the book with the signature on the draft, but they tallied only, in his opinion, as to the "mix" at the end of the name.

At 3 o'clock Mannix again put in an appearance at the executive department. The private secretary had invited Detective Rhodes to attend the séance, and later had invited Inspector Harris of the Boston headquarters. The secretary questioned Mannix, who said he was stopping at the Adams house alone. The secretary could not get him to say that his wife or anybody else was with him.

The police were parties to the conversation, and at the end it was decided to take Mannix to headquarters, though there was no specific charge that could be made against him. At this time Mannix protested that he was from Minnesota, but admitted that he had worked on a Boston newspaper in 1898 and had been in Cuba during the war.

BRESLIN JUST ON TIME.

At headquarters the police were making but little progress with Mannix, when in walked Breslin with the complaint as to the checks passed upon him, and Mannix's identification followed.

The story of the check transaction is, according to Mr. Breslin, that Mannix came to his house Wednesday and represented himself as being the captain of Co. H, 9th U. S. Infantry. He said he was on leave and apologized for presenting himself at the hotel as he had been drinking. He showed a lot of letters of recommendation and said that he was going to call on Gov. Bates, who was his friend. He added that a draft for him had been sent to the governor to keep until his arrival, but that he needed a little money before he went to the state house.

He then produced a check on the Columbia national bank of Washington purporting to be signed by George B. Cortelyou, and asked Mr. Breslin to cash it, which he did.

Mannix went to the telephone in the Hampton house and called up the governor's office at the state house. Mr. Breslin heard the conversation, so far as Mannix carried it on, and it seemed to him that the governor recognized the voice of Mannix, and the latter said when he came, smiling, from the telephone, that the governor had asked him to come right up and see him.

Mannix then went away and Mr. Breslin did not see him again until the police had him.

When arrested yesterday Mannix had the money that Breslin had given him.

Mannix was either pretty drunk or pretended to be when he reached the office of Chief Watts, the first impression he created was that of a man who had done a freakish thing while on a drunk. When he was searched, however, letters of recommendation purporting to be signed by Gen. Nelson A. Miles and other noted men were found on him, and Chief Watts came to the conclusion that Mannix wasn't as innocent as he appeared, not even when he confessed, according to the police, that he had passed the $25 check on Breslin and had tried to get one for $50 cashed by the governor.

At headquarters Mannix said he lived in Washington, but the police say that he used to live in Charlestown.

Mrs. Rose Jordan Hartford wishes to state that owing to the many large snow storms the ladies have been prevented from getting a chance to purchase millinery but they have lost nothing by waiting as they can have their choice of a large number of beautiful trimmed hats, which have been selling from $8.00 to $15.00, and which this week we will close out at $3.98 each. We also have a number of others at prices from 49c up, and any of these hats are worth three times the price. Remember the sale is now on at Mrs. Rose Jordan Hartford's, corner of John and Lee streets.

PATSY SWEENEY

PROVED HIMSELF A HERO AT A FIRE.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Jan. 29.—Patsy Sweeney, Manchester's well-known pugilist, yesterday proved himself a hero. In the fire which resulted in the death of Annie Lydon, at 204 Chestnut street, he saved three lives.

Young Sweeney, who lives on the first floor of the tenement here, at about 10 o'clock heard screams in the tenement above and hurried to the place. He met little Annie Lydon on the stairs with her clothing and hair in a blaze. Seizing her in his arms he put out the fire on her dress, blistering his hands in the effort.

He then turned the child over to others to be cared for and dashed up stairs again. There he found his own child, 1 year old, with its clothing on fire and two other children, 2 and 3 years of age, on a blazing bed. He put out the flames on his child's clothes and lifted the children from the bed.

He next threw the burning material through a window into the street and carried all of the children to his own apartments. All three were nearly suffocated by smoke.

Annie Lydon died yesterday afternoon.

GOT SIX MONTHS

CHINAMAN AND HIS WHITE WIFE SENTENCED.

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—In the first session of the municipal court yesterday afternoon Chin Tye, a Chinaman and his white wife, Emma Chin Tye, were tried before Judge Wentworth on two charges, the first for abducting and keeping imprisoned in their house at 26 Oxford street, two young white girls who gave their names as Josephine Reed and Gertrude Lewis, and the second for keeping a house of ill fame.

Both the girls swore that they came to Boston from Nova Scotia and that Chin Tye met them a few days after they reached here and invited them to go to his house and see his white wife. They said they went, their street clothes were taken from them and they were held prisoners for two to three months and forced to accept the attentions of white men and Chinamen indiscriminately.

The characters of the girls were attacked by the lawyer for the defence, and several witnesses swore to uncomplimentary things about them, with the result that he would not find probable cause on the first charge and ordered the Tyes discharged.

On the second charge Patrolman Hughes had enough police evidence to convince the court of the guilt of the Tyes and each was sentenced to six months in the house of correction. They entered appeals.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES.

The evangelists were greeted by a large audience at the evangelistic service last evening at Immanuel Baptist church, Blossom street. Rev. Mr. Harriman preached a powerful and most convincing sermon on the subject of "The Great Salvation," which deeply moved his hearers. Mr. Taylor sang by special request and most effectively "The Wanderers' Prayer" also as a closing appeal "Where art thou, Soul?" The service this evening will be the last this week and special arrangements will be made so far as human instrumentality is concerned to make it the best of the series thus far. Mr. Harriman will preach a sermon especially adapted to the young, and Mr. Taylor will sing several new and appropriate selections. The praise service will begin promptly at 7.30 o'clock and this evening new features in song will be introduced.

DRANK POISON

Beautiful School Girl Was Reprimanded

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—A whispered prayer that death might come and blot out the thought of disgrace which she believed would follow her expulsion from school was the first utterance which watchful nurses caught from the lips of a remarkably beautiful girl of 15 years, who was taken to North Hudson, N. J., hospital suffering from carbolic acid poisoning yesterday.

Six hours after she had been found in the waiting room of the ferry house at Weehawken, where she had tried to end her life, she revived somewhat and revealed her identity.

She is Annabelle Reinders, the only child of Charles Reinders, a tobacco manufacturer, who lives at 425 15th street, West New York.

It was her beauty which attracted the attention of passengers when she entered the waiting room shortly before 11 a. m. yesterday. She walked briskly into the retiring room and nodded to Mrs. Odell, the attendant. A moment later Mrs. Odell saw the girl raise a bottle to her lips and drain the contents. The odor of carbolic acid filled the room and Mrs. Odell sprang to the girl's side, but too late.

"I am going to die; I have drunk poison," the girl murmured as Mrs. Odell bent over her. Before she lost consciousness she said: "I am glad I am going to die. Please leave me alone."

Mrs. Odell called the station master, who summoned a physician and an ambulance.

When the parents arrived at the hospital it was learned that the child was summoned to the office of Supt. Ortel of the Union Hill schools immediately after she had reported for her studies yesterday morning. She was crying when she left his office. She went to a nearby drug store and purchased with the nickel which she was saving for car fare home, a bottle of carbolic acid. She told the druggist she wanted the acid for a felon.

"I sent her home for an indiscretion which was brought to my attention by one of the teachers," Supt. Ortel said last night. "I summoned her into my office and after confronting her with the indiscretion, told her to go home and I would write her parents. She burst into tears and asked if I was going to expel her. I told her that she was neither expelled nor suspended, but that she must go home and I would consult with her parents about the case."

When pressed for an explanation of the indiscretion, Supt. Ortel said the child had written a letter and he intimated that the contents of the letter were what called for discipline.

The physicians at the hospital hold out little hope for the child's recovery.

WENT TO JURY

The Hand Polygamy Case is Finished

In the superior criminal court at Salem yesterday afternoon the case of Edward E. Hand of 43 Liberty street, Lowell, charged with polygamy, was given to the jury, but at adjournment no verdict had been reached. During the trial yesterday several phases of the allegations made by the government were made clear by witnesses and record, the more important being the following:

That Edward E. Hand married Ivy E. Reed of St. Johnsbury, Vt., Feb. 26, 1895, the ceremony being performed at Lawrence by Rev. C. W. Dockrill; that the couple lived together until March 16, 1897, when she went to her old home in St. Johnsbury, and that wife No. 1 was divorced from defendant Oct. 29, 1899.

It was also shown that Hand married Miss Alice Binns of Lowell June 30, 1901, and married Irene S. Palmer, now living at 343 Washington street, Haverhill, Sept. 19, 1903; that the Tilton cottage at Salisbury beach is in the town of Salisbury, Mass., and that Miss Palmer just previous to her marriage rented the cottage of Mrs. Martha E. Tilton of Haverhill.

GAVE A PARTY

MACHINISTS ENTERTAINED AT ASSOCIATE HALL LAST NIGHT.

Lowell lodge, No. 188, International Association of Machinists, held its first complimentary dancing party at Associate hall last evening and the affair was largely attended. The officers of the evening were: General manager, C. H. Beard; assistant general manager, Edward Young; floor director, Melville Harris; assistant floor director, Frank Scott; chief aid, Thomas Tierney; aids, Clyde Written, P. C. Murray, Joseph Quinn, Frederick Barrows, Adimore Boudreaux, James McGrath, Jeremiah Taylor, John Morrissey, Herbert Hilliard, E. H. Burke; reception committee, James McEvoy, Maurice Butterfield, Timothy Kearns, John Lyons, Williams Lyness, Thomas Carey, J. Enright, Walter Witham and George Watson.

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WOMEN'S COATS, SUITS AND CAPES

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This includes every one of the above garments in our store, "none reserved." We must reduce stock and we take this method to do it. If you have a need or are likely to have a need for any of these garments, seize this opportunity to supply it, for opportunities of this character are few and far between . . . . . .

Jersey Underwear

Union Suits (for women), fine wool, a little soiled, black, white and grey in the lot; have been selling for $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50.....Now $1.00

Women's Union Suits, small sizes, regularly 39c.....Now 19c

Girls' Pants—Boys' Drawers. All wool, white, grey and scarlet, regularly 79c and 98c.....Now 39c

Women's 50c Garments, odds and ends in Jersey Ribbed Vests, Pants and Corset Covers.....Now 25c

HOSIERY

Women's Fleeced Hose, were 12½c Now 10c

Women's Fancy Red Hose, were 50c Now 12½c

Women's Fancy Hose, were 50c Now 25c

Women's Black Lace Hose, were 50c Now 39c

Women's Fancy Lisle Hose, were 98c and $1.49.....Now 49c

Women's Fancy Silk and Lisle Hose, were $2.00 and $3.00.....Now 69c

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Williams' Shaving Soap, regularly 8c Now 5c

Hair Rolls, regularly 15c.....Now 9c

Munyon's Soap, regularly 10c. Now 8c

"Cosmo" Buttermilk Soap, regularly 7c Now 5c

Whisk Brooms, regularly 10c. Now 5c

Camphorated Vaseline, regularly 5c Now 2 for 5c

Toilet Soap, regularly 5c. Now 2 for 5c

Sponges, regularly 2c to 10c Now ½ price

Buttons (fancies), regularly 40c to 50c card.....Now 10c

Buttons (wash), regularly 5c. Now 1c

Hooks and Eyes, regularly 5c. Now 10c

Corset Steels, regularly 5c. Now 3c

Basting Cotton, regularly 5c Now 3 for 10c

Linen Finish Thread, regularly 5c Now 2 for 5c

Pearl Buttons, regularly 5c Now 2 for 5c

Box Paper, regularly 25c. Now 10c

Dainty 16 mo. Books, regularly 25c Now 15c

Small 16 mo. Books, regularly 10c Now 6c

History of Lowell, regularly $4.98 Now $1.00

Baby Pins (with chains), regularly 25c Now 10c

Beauty Pins, regularly 10c.....Now 7c

Waist Sets, regularly 25c.....Now 10c

Aluminum Novelties, regularly 10c Now 5c

Buckle Sets, regularly 25c....Now 15c

Front and Back Buckles, regularly 25c Now 15c

Top Collars, regularly 10c.....Now 5c

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Waists that were 98c to $1.50 now 49c
Waists that were $2 to $2.25 now 98c
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Black and colored Gimps now 2c Yard were 10c and 12 1-2c.

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Flannelette Night Gowns, regularly $1.00.....Now 69c

Flannelette Night Gowns, regularly 49c.....Now 39c

Children's Flannelette Dresses, regularly 49c.....Now 25c

Women's Muslin Robes, regularly 39c. Now 25c

Women's Muslin Corset Covers, regularly 25c.....Now 19c

Women's Golf Gloves, regularly 50c Now 25c

Women's Felt Slippers (Romeos), regularly $1.00.....Now 75c

Women's Felt Slippers (hand sewed), regularly $1.25.....Now 89c

Women's Jersey Leggins, regularly $1.00.....Now 89c

Misses' Jersey Leggins, regularly 69c Now 49c

Children's Jersey Leggins, regularly 49c.....Now 39c

Lace Curtains (odd lots), regularly 49c and 50c.....Now 39c

Lace Curtains (odd lots), regularly 89c and 95c.....Now 69c

Lace Curtains (odd lots), regularly $1.19 to $1.49.....Now 98c

Lace Curtains (odd lots), regularly $2.00 to $3.00.....Now $1.49

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Men's Bosom Shirts, regularly $1.00 Now 49c

Men's Bosom Shirts, regularly 50c Now 25c

Men's 4-in. Hand Ties, regularly 25c Now 10c

Edinborough Ginghams, regularly 15c Now 10c

Curtain Muslin, regularly 12½c Now 9c

White and Marble Table Oil Cloth, regularly 18c.....Now 12½c

Dark Prints, regularly 5c....Now 3¾c

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SOUTHERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.48	6.50	6.00	7.04
6.22	7.40	6.50	7.38
a6.57	7.30	7.55	8.55
a6.42	7.26	8.25	9.02
a7.01	8.05	e9.00	9.57
as7.21	8.15	e10.00	10.37
a7.31	8.00	a10.17	11.34
7.45	8.35	e11.30	12.07
8.55	9.45	12.00	12.56
9.49	10.40	e1.00	1.37
11.00	12.05	2.00	3.01
a11.45	12.25	e3.00	3.37
a12.14	1.05	a3.47	5.09
1.40	2.55	4.16	5.30
e1.55	2.25	e5.00	5.37
a3.08	4.20	5.39	6.25
e3.47	4.30	a5.47	6.44
4.25	5.30	6.14	7.30
e5.29	6.15	e7.30	8.05
a5.44	7.05	e8.30	9.05
a6.22	7.05	10.30	11.34
a7.29	8.10	11.20	12.22

SUNDAY TRAINS

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
e6.39	7.30	9.00	10.03
a7.24	8.15	2.00	3.07
6.45	9.40	5.00	5.38
a8.29	10.15	a7.30	8.06
e9.25	5.55	e8.30	9.08
a5.08	7.00	9.00	10.02

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.50	8.00	7.30	8.34
8.00	8.64	9.25	10.32
9.25	10.39	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.08
12.05	1.32	2.15	3.19
12.45	1.57	3.36	4.03
2.50	3.35	4.59	6.00
3.10	4.10	6.01	7.05
3.55	5.04	6.35	7.48
5.08	6.43	9.30	10.40
6.15	7.15	B11.16	12.15
7.00	8.38		
9.25	10.30		

SUNDAY TRAINS

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
8.15	9.27	8.00	9.17
12.05	1.24	12.00	1.02
4.05	5.18	5.00	6.27
5.50	6.55		
8.00	9.05		

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TROLLEY SMASH

Three Cars in One Mass of Ruins

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Three trolley cars of the Westchester avenue line of the Union railway on the Bronx and a truck laden with heavy steel girders figured in a smash-up last night, in which half a dozen persons were injured, three so seriously that they were removed to Lebanon hospital. The accident happened on a steep hill. Owing to the darkness the motorman did not see the truck, laden with heavy girders until he was close upon it, and was powerless to stop his car.

The momentum was so great that the car was torn asunder. Half a dozen passengers, three of them women, were in the car, but escaped serious injury. The car was left in darkness and before the passengers could alight another car had crashed into it from the rear. The motorman did not see the wreck until he was almost upon it and so steep was the grade that he was unable to stop. He was crushed between the two cars and had a hip dislocated. Great confusion followed when the first car took fire, but the flames were soon extinguished. In the midst of this a third car came down the hill and drove its way into the wreck. Five of its passengers were hurt.

HELPED HIMSELF

Michael Finnerty Called on Mrs. Boyle

AND SAID HE WAS A U. S. REVENUE OFFICER

Helped Himself to Cigars and Cigarettes

Michael J. Finnerty, the young man who was arrested at Revere beach last summer for impersonating an officer, was arrested in this city yesterday afternoon by Inspectors Laflamme and Maher and Patrolman Frank Foxon a complaint charging him with larceny. Finnerty is the man, so say the police, who went into the store of Mrs. Boyle in Salem street a week ago and representing himself to be a United States revenue officer, took samples of cigars, cigarettes and tobacco.

The official eye of the police department has been following Finnerty for several days. About two weeks ago he called at a junk store in Middlesex street and asked the proprietor what he was paying for copper wire. He told the dealer that he represented several light and telephone companies and that he had a car load of wire that he wanted to dispose of. The junk man told him he would pay the market price.

The police do not know what Finnerty's motive was at that time, but surmise that he was fishing for money in advance. About a week later Finnerty called at a junk store in School st. and representing himself to be the agent of some iron company, told the junk man that he had several car loads of old junk that he would like to sell. While he was talking with the School street junk man the Middlesex street junk man with whom he had talked about the car load of wire, dropped in and recognized Finnerty. He listened to the conversation for a while and then quietly walked out and meeting an officer told him the story. The officer entered the junk shop and talked with Finnerty and the latter acknowledged that he had called at the junk store in Middlesex street and had offered a car load of wire for sale. The officer telephoned to the police station and explained the situation. Deputy Welch gave the officer a list of questions to ask Finnerty, one of which had to do with his arrest at Revere beach. Finnerty acknowledged the corn. There was no complaint against him at that time, however, and Deputy Welch told the officer to tell Finnerty to get out of town and Finnerty said he would go.

A few days later Mrs. Boyle received a visit from Finnerty with the result that he was arrested yesterday afternoon. The police say that Finnerty is a schemer with a positive dislike for work.

FOUND SOME WHISKEY.

Liquor Officers Brown and Atkinson visited Matthew J. Whelton at 22 Suffolk street last evening and came away with a small quantity of whiskey, which they claim was kept for the purpose of sale. It was not the first visit that the officers had made to 22 Suffolk street since the first of May. Several weeks ago they called there and found a fellow selling whiskey. The fellow was summoned into court and was fined $100. A few weeks later Officer Brown called at the place and got possession of a bottle of whiskey, but Whelon broke the bottle in the officer's hand and the officer didn't succeed in saving enough for evidence. The officers did not meet with any opposition last evening.

FREEMAN ARRAIGNED.

Edward M. Freeman, the old man who was arrested yesterday forenoon on a complaint made by his two daughters, charging him with incest, was arraigned in police court in the afternoon. After listening to the girls' stories Judge Hadley found probable cause and Freeman was ordered in $1000 for his appearance before the superior court. Freeman failed to secure bail and went to jail.

CHICKEN AND HORSE THIEF.

The chicken thief who was arrested at South Amherst the 11th, after an exciting chase, and who gave the name George F. Jones, has been identified as Frank Wilson, who is wanted by the Lowell police for horse stealing.

Go to the special sale of millinery at less than half cost at Rose Jordan Hartford's, corner John and Lee streets. Big bargains for every lady.

PANAMA'S $10,000,000.

PANAMA, Jan. 29.—At the session held yesterday morning the constitutional convention approved a measure providing that of the $10,000,000 to be paid to the republic of Panama by the United States for the right to use the canal zone $8,000,000 is to remain untouched for the future benefit of the new republic.

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BROKEN HEARTED

Escaped Prisoner Surrendered to Police

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 29.—Hungry and broken in spirit by the efforts of his wife to divorce him, William T. Adams, a well educated young man of Barnstable, Mass., who says he recently escaped from the state reformatory of Massachusetts at Concord Junction, walked into the office of Capt. Miller of the city hall detective force yesterday at noon and surrendered.

"I am hungry and broken-hearted," said Adams, "and am tired of it all. The sooner I go back and am locked up the better."

Detectives Alexander and Linder took charge of the young man. His refined manner and intelligence so surprised them that they doubted that he had ever been in any prison, and detective Alexander questioned him.

He told the detective that he was formerly employed by the Jordan, Marsh company of Boston, and after having tried to get $100 worth of clothing from the store on a forged order was committed to the reformatory for three years. His intelligence and ability soon became known to the heads of the institution and he was made a bookkeeper in the office of the reformatory. He was not watched while at work and on January 11 escaped.

Adams had been married about two years before he was sent to the reformatory and. Detective Alexander says that after the young man escaped he sought his wife, only to ascertain that she had applied for a divorce. Unable to effect a reconciliation he came to this city in search of work, but found none. He spent his last cent for a meal on Tuesday.

Capt. Miller communicated with the authorities of the reformatory and expects to hear from them today.

Adams was arrested in Boston in February, 1902, charged with passing a forged order for goods on the Jordan Marsh company. He was convicted and sentenced to the state reformatory, where he remained until Jan. 11 last, when he made his escape in some manner which the officials would not divulge. A reward of $50 is offered for his capture.

'LADIES' NIGHT

HELD BY WILLIAM NORTH LODGE LAST NIGHT.

William North lodge of Masons gave its first ladies' night last evening and the event was a success beyond all estimating, it being necessary to stop the distribution of tickets for the affair. From 6.30 to 7 a reception was held by the officers. From 7 to 8.30 supper was served and after the banquet an entertainment and dancing was enjoyed in Colonial hall. Hibbard's orchestra furnished music and the party continued until midnight.

BISHOP GRAVEL DEAD.

NICOLET, Que., Jan. 29—Right Rev. Elphege Gravel, Catholic bishop of Nicolet, died last night. He was appointed in 1885.

If you should be looking around for bargains in millinery, you'll find that you have struck the right place when you call at Rose Jordan Hartford's, corner John and Lee streets.

SMITH BOUNCED

The State Hospital Nurse Relieved of Duty

CAUSE OF HIS REMOVAL NOT STATED

Authorities Dropped Him Rather Suddenly

Thomas Smith, the night nurse who was on duty at the state hospital at Tewksbury when the recent poisoning occurred, has been stripped of his yellow jacket. The hospital authorities declare that Smith's discharge has no connection whatever with the poisoning. The committee appointed to investigate the poisoning exonerated Smith from all blame. Smith's discharge came as a great surprise to him. He was visiting at his old home in Sharron, N.H., and wrote to the hospital authorities stating when he would return to work. A few days later he received a letter informing him that his services were no longer required.

LINCOLN CLUB

APPOINTED RECEPTION COMMITTEE FOR ITS BANQUET.

The Lincoln club held a well attended meeting last night. The club will hold their annual banquet on the eve of Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 11, at Odd Fellows' Temple, Middlesex street. The following members were appointed on the reception committee: Hon. Charles E. Howe, chairman; Hon. Butler Ames, Hon. James H. McKinley, Cyrus Barton, E. S. Eastman, Edwards Cheney, Hon. George E. Putnam, Wm. E. Westall, Wm. E. Badger, James P. Ramsay.

ICE GORGE THIRTY MILES.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 29.—Weather Observer De Main of this city issued a statement yesterday to the effect that the condition of the river and ice gorge on the north branch of the Susquehanna river are critical. Solid, impenetrable ice, extends in one long gorge from Beach Haven, Luzerne county, to Sunbury, a distance of 30 miles, without a break. Conditions at Bloomsburg are improving.

Clean Up Sale of Shoes

To make room for Spring Goods which will arrive soon—splendid chance to secure seasonable goods at less than regular prices.

$2.00 Ladies' heavy double soles in Kid and Patent Tip, reduced down to $1.49

$2.50 Ladies' heavy double soles in Vici and Velour Calf, reduced down to $2.00

$3.00 Ladies' heavy and light soles, Goodyear Welt, made on mannish last, down to $2.50

50c Ladies' Storm Rubbers........ 35c

65c Men's Storm Rubbers, down to........ 45c

$3.00 Men's Box Calf, Vici, Velour, Enamel and Patent Colt, hand-made, down to $2.50

$3.00 Men's Box Calf and Vici, Goodyear Welt, down to........ $1.95

SATURDAY—DOUBLE DARK BLUE STAMPS.

J. L. Challfoux, 47 to 59 Central St.

Alcohol, Ammonia, Borax, Witch Hazel, Washing Fluid—Makes Washing Easy

TALBOT DYE & CHEMICAL CO.

38 to 44 Middle Street

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Double Green or Blue Stamps Saturday

$5000.00 WORTH OF RUBBER FOOTWEAR

Which we must turn into money to pay our creditors at once. Cost is no object. The stock consists of High Buckle Overshoes, Lumbermen's Rubbers, Felts and Leggins, Men's, Women's, Misses' and Children's Rubbers, Rubber Boots and Overshoes

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Children's 29c Rubbers, storm cut, sizes 8 to 10 1-2. Sale Price **19c Pr**

Misses' Storm or Low Cut Rubbers, sizes 11 1-2 to 2. Sale Price **19c Pr** Former price 35c.

Children's and Misses' One Buckle Overshoes. Sale Price **49c Pr**

Misses' 40c Boston Rubbers, with strap at heels to hold them on. Sale Price **25c Pr**

Children's, Misses' and Women's 75c High Knee Leggins. Sale Price **39c Pr**

Misses' $1.25 and $1.50 Box Calf Shoes, leather lined. All sizes. Sale Price **98c Pr**

Ladies' $1.50 and $2.00 Heavy Solid Leather Box Calf Shoes. Every pair warranted. SALE PRICE **$1.29 Pr**

Women's and Misses' High 3-Buckle or Button Overshoes. Sold for $1.25 and $1.50. SALE PRICE **59c Pr** Sizes 13 1-2, 1, 2, 3, 3 1-2, 4, 4 1-2 and 5.

Women's and Misses' 40c Rubbers, sizes 2, 2½, 3 and 3½. TO CLOSE **10c Pr**

Ladies' 35c and 40c Rubbers. All sizes. SALE PRICE **19c Pr**

Ladies' first quality Storm or Low Cut Rubbers, good wide toes. SALE PRICE **29c Pr**

Boys' and Youths' 50c Rubbers, sizes 11½ to 5½. Sale Price **29c Pr**

Men's 75c Storm or Low Cut Rubbers, good wide toes. All sizes. Sale Price **49c Pr**

Boys' $1.00 and $1.25 Overshoes, sizes 2 1-2 to 6. Sale Price **75c Pr**

Men's $1.25 wide toe rolled edge Overshoes. All sizes. Sale Price **98c Pr**

Men's Heavy Buckle Hurons, for Felts and Leggins. Sale Price **98c Pr**

Men's $2.50 High 4-Buckle and Lace Overshoes, rolled edge or plain edge. All sizes. Sale Price **$1.98 Pr**

Men's $3.00 Leather Lined Waterproof Soled Shoes. All sizes. SALE PRICE **$1.98 Pr**

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SUN LATEST

FIVE O'CLOCK

ANOTHER STRUGGLE

New Phase of the U. S. Shipbuilding Litigation

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—According to statements of opposing counsel in the United States Shipbuilding litigation, the expiration of the agreemcht today under which shipbuilding bonds were deposited in the Sheldon Syndicate to effect a reorganization, instead of influencing a settlement of the litigation, may be the signal for a struggle for the possession of the bonds deposited with the syndicate are now subject to withdrawal is erroneous and that the expiration of the Sheldon syndicate has no relation to the plan of reorganization which remains unaffected by that event and under which plan the bonds will remain deposited. Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the bondholders' protective committee, denied this and said he had no doubt of the right of every member of the syndicate to the immediate return of his bonds. He understood that some of the syndicate had not consented that their bonds remain on deposit with the committee and these he thought would have no difficulty in forcing the return of their bonds "for reasons," he said, "with which Mr. Cromwell is very familiar and which it is unnecessary at this time to state publicly.

One conclusive reason why the Sheldon committee will not be able to hold the bonds against the protest of the syndicate members, he said, was that the Sheldon plan had been abanodned. If any new plan was presented radically different from that the bondholders would, of course, have the right to withdraw their bonds.

Notices are said to be in preparatioi for service today upon the trust company, which is thte depository for the Sheldon syndicate not to deliver the bonds held by it to the Sheldon reorganization committee. Other notices will be served tomorrow (the Sheldon syndicate expiring tonight) upon the same institution on behalf of a large number of bondholders who deposited their bonds with it, demanding a return of the bonds to them. If the trust company refuses to return the bonds, it is said, suit will be at once begun against it for the face value of the bonds.

James B. Dill, counsel as well as a director for the Commonwealth Trust Co., attended the conference of the Sheldon syndicate and protested against the proposed plan recently put out, which would wipe out all stock, on the ground that the Commonwealth Trust Co. has a larger deposit of stock with the committee. That company served notice that it will not be bound by the new plains of reorganization.

114 BODIES FOUND

Cause of the Harwick Mine Explosion is Known

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 29.—Mine Inspector Cunningham is satisfied he has discovered the cause of the explosion at the Harwick mine and the room in which it occurred.

It has been the theory of the inspectors that the gas was lighted by a defective shot, one that was not properly tamped and which threw a bit of burning paper from the hole drilled in the coal. This was confirmed in a room in the south left entry where a hole was found in the coal showing that the tamping had been blown out and that the shot was ineffective. Near this point was found the lamp of Boss J. A. Gordon, who was also the head shooter in the mine.

The mine had given up 114 dead at noon. Preparations are already making for an early resumption of work at the mine. The company expects to start again in two weeks or as soon as the bodies have been all removed, the mine inspected and repairs made.

RUSSIA'S REPLY

Rumor of Its Import Discussed in London

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The Japanese minister, Baron Hayashi, said this morning, with reference to the report published by the Daily Graphic (to the effect that the Russian reply to Japan was completed Wednesday, that it had been communicated to M. Kurino, the Japanese minister at St. Petersburg and that it was unfavorable), that M. Kurino had officially notified him that the council of state called to consider the Russian reply was only held in St. Petersburg yesterday as cabled to the Associated Press. Baron Hayashi added that the reply had not yet been sent and that it will only be submitted for the czar's approval today.

"There are no means, therefore," added the Japanese minister, "of knowing the contents of the answer, and as to the probable tenor thereof I have no official information."

The Russian embassy, in denying the Daily Graphic's statement, says that the information reached by the embassy confirms the statements on the subject made in the Associated Press despatch from St. Petersburg yesterday.

RUSSIA OPPOSED

TO CLOSING THE STRAITS OF KOREA.

PARIS, Jan. 29.—It is understood that the conferences between Minister Lamsdorff and M. Kurino, the Japanese minister at St. Petersburg, have permitted the latter to advise his government concerning the position Russia is likely to take in her forthcoming answer; but the officials here say this was merely an intermediary step towards adjusting the remaining differences as the answer is subject to change until officially communicated.

It is further said that Russia will not answer until she feels reasonably assured that her answer will not have the effect of precipitating hostilities.

The officials here are gratified at an apparently authoritative statement that Japan does not intend to fortify the straits of Korea. They say it will remove one of the main obstacles as the most recent negotiations showed that Russia was unalterably opposed to the creation of any condition in Korea which would lead to closing that outlet from the sea of Japan. A strong intimation has been made that the maritime nations of Europe and the United States would have taken up the question unless this declaration had been made.

A FOREIGN VICEROYALTY.

LONDON, Jan. 29—Placards inciting the population to rise and resist foreign aggression are being busily circulated in the province of Hunan, China, according to the Globe's Shanghai correspondent. The placards predict the establishment of a foreign viceroyalty over Hunan similar to that of Manchuria. The correspondent says the movement possibly portends a national outbreak. He adds that there have been enormous withdrawals of deposits both from the native and foreign banks at Shanghai, indicating belief in coming trouble and says the unprecedented stagnation in trade is partly owing to the Chinese new year holidays and partly to apprehension of impending troubles.

McKINLEY DAY

The Members of Congress Wore Carnations

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29—A carnation adorned the lapel of the coat of nearly every member of the house today in commemoration of the late President McKinley's birthday. The chaplain referred feelingly to the late president, saying:

"We thank Thee, O Heavenly Father, for the beautiful life and character of our beloved McKinley, whom we remember with grateful hearts today for the things that he did in his life and for the beautiful example of Christian character and fortitude he left behind him to us in his death. So move, we beseech Thee, upon the hearts of men, of Thy children, that truth and righteousness and good will shall reign everywhere in and through the spirit of the Lord."

IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Mr. Hoar was in the senate today for the first time since the death of his wife a month ago.

The democratic caucus resolution calling on the president to inform the senate whether all the papers in possession of the executive department bearing upon the Panama resolution had been sent to the senate, was immediately taken up, the especial question under consideration being the motion of Mr. Cullom to add a clause relieving the president of the necessity of supplying the documents if considered incompatible with the public interest.

CHANGES ITS NAME.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The Commercial Advertiser announces this afternoon that beginning on Feb. 1, it will be sold for one cent instead of two cents, and that its name will be changed to the Globe and Commercial Advertiser.

The change is of historic interest in that the name Commercial Advertiser has been used for 107 years. The publishers announce it is reluctantly subordinated because in these days of trade journalism it is misleading to persons unfamiliar with the scope of the paper.

MONEY ON CALL.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—Money on call easy at 2 per cent; prime mercantile paper 4½ @ 5¼. Exchanges $214,515,009; balances, $11,919,358.

WALL STREET GOSSIP.

10.10 a. m.—Opening prices in the stock market were lower than last night with the sole exception of Chesapeake & Ohio, which rose a small fraction. Gains by some stocks in the London trading before the opening here were ignored. The losses in Wabash pfd., Rock Island pfd., Illinois Central and Pacific Mail somewhat exceeded the average. Pacific Mail declining 1¼ and Wabash pfd., a point.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

It's Coming!!
That Storm
Then Slush
Let us help you to meet it.
MEN'S
WOONSOCKET
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$2.75
Today and Tomorrow
O'Sullivan Bros. Company
Lowell, Mass.
Opposite City Hall

WAGES REDUCED

SUCH IS CLAIM OF THE OPERATIVES.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 29.—Except for expressions of dissatisfaction expressed when operatives compared the wage to be received for this week's work with that contained in the envelope today, no visible change took place in the demeanor of the operatives of the Atlantic dress goods mill at Olneyville, when a new wage scale went into effect today. Over 3000 operatives are affected by the change, and according to them the new scale is practically a reduction, though no particular rate was observed in the alleged cut. Trouble is not thought likely at the mill, the varied nationalities of the employes almost amounting to a safeguard in this respect.

THE CUBAN LOAN.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Negotiations for the flotation of the proposed $35,000,000 Cuban loan have come to a temporary halt. The banking interests which have this matter under consideration declare that the Russian-Japanese situation makes such a transaction inadvisable at this time, because it would tie up a large sum of money which might be used elsewhere to better advantage.

EXTRAORDINARY SESSION.

LIMA, Peru, Jan. 29—The government has convoked for Feb. 24an extraordinary session of congress to discuss and sanction various financial measures.

THE COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Opening prices in the cotton market today were higher than last night's closing with May and July above the best point of yesterday. Trading was active and excited. Initial advance was on better cables than had been looked for and reports that spot cotton was selling all through the interior last night at 15¾ cents for middling. It became evident however soon after the opening that enormous profit taking was going on and prices were depressed several points from the best after which they were rallied by the firmness in New Orleans and aggressive bull support.

WILL NOT REDUCE WAGES.

FAYETTEVILLE, W. Va., Jan. 29.—At a meeting of more than 20 coal operators on New river employing in the aggregate 9000 miners, it was unanimously voted not to reduce the wages of miners this year.

A WISH EASILY GRATIFIED.

Those teeth that you wish were out can be extracted without a particle of pain by Dr. Allen, Old City Hall, if he uses his wonderful Eu-Cola.

ON SHORT TIME.

HOLYOKE, Mass., Jan. 29.—The coarse goods departments of the Lyman cotton mills here were placed on a four days a week schedule today owing to the high price of cotton. Four hundred hands out of 1300 employed are affected.

LOWELL MAN HURT

In Railroad Accident in the South

JAMES W. HARTLEY A TRAVELLING MACHINIST

For the Kitson Company Lost a Foot

The Kitson Machine Co. of this city is in receipt of a telegram from Columbia, S. C., from James W. Hartley, one of their traveling men, to the effect that he was in a railroad accident in South Carolina and was injured so badly that it was necessary to have his right foot amputated.

Inquiry at the Kitson Machine Co. this morning by a representative of The Sun brought out the information that a telegram to the effect that Hartley had been injured was received, but no particulars further than that it was necessary to amputate his foot. A number of telegrams have been sent to Columbia by the Kitson company, but no replies have been received.

Mr. Hartley resides in this city on Watson street and has a wife and children. Mr. Hartley was supposed to be at Hartsville, S. C., erecting machinery for the Kitson company.

PETTO IS FREE

Was Held on Charge of Murder

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—On motion of Assistant District Attorney Ely, Justice Glegerich today discharged on his own recognizance Tommaso Petto, known as "The Bull," who was indicted on suspicion of having murdered Benedetto Maduano of Buffalo on April 14 1903. The murdered man was found in a barrel on East Eleventh street and the murder became known as the "barrel murder." Mr. Ely in asking for the discharge stated that the legal evidence did not warrant holding Petto any longer.

FUNERALS

FORD—The funeral of Charles Ford took place yesterday afternoon from his late home, 33 South Loring street. Services were conducted by Rev. H. F. Kingsley, assisted by Rev. Asa Reed Ditts. Appropriate solos were rendered by Mrs. Scribner, Mr. and Mrs. Hearce and Mr. Slater. The bearers were C. D. Wilder, Fred Holmes, Stillman C. Davis and Mr. Lahue. Burial was in the Edson cemetery under the direction of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

WHITING—The funeral of Hazel L. Whiting took place yesterday afternoon from the home of her parents, 96 Crawford street. Prayers were read by Rev. Mr. Manchester. Burial was in the Edson cemetery under the direction of Undertaker C. M. Young.

KELLEY—Mrs. Annie Kelley, aged 29 years, died yesterday at her home, 46 Agawam street. Mrs. Kelley leaves a husband, Dennis, one daughter, Nellie, one son, Leroi, a father and mother in New Brunswick, and three sisters, Misses Lucy, Alice and Jennie Crane of Lowell.

The funeral took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from her late home in Agawam street and was largely attended. The college proceeded to the Sacred Heart church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. Fr. Fletcher, O. M. I. The choir under the direction of Mrs. Thomas H. Muldoon sang the Gregorian mass and during the service appropriate selections were rendered by members of the choir.

The bearers were Messrs. John McCarthy, Patrick O'Day, Joseph Kennedy and John Green. The remains will be forwarded to Clearview, N. H., for interment at 5 o'clock this evening by Undertaker Peter Davey.

SHIPPING HELD UP.

NEWPORT, R. I., Jan. 29.—The west passage of Narragansett bay was again frozen today, causing great inconvenience to shipping. The steamer General running from Newport to Wickford, was caught in the ice during the forenoon near Wickford. The tug Solicitor was despatched to her assistance.

THE WEATHER

Local forecast: Cloudy tonight. Saturday, partly cloudy to cloudy but probably fair; warmer Saturday; brisk to high north to west winds.

Any Children?
Then we'll guarantee they have hard colds. No child escapes. It's either a hard cold, the croup, bronchitis, or the whooping-cough. There's but one remedy. It's just what your own grandmother always kept in her house—Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

YOU CAN BUY most any kind of a sleigh at J. H. Rabe's, 26 Merrimack street, from $5 up

LOST female collie pup, yellow, with white markings; answers to name of Le-Le. Reward at 66 Willow street.

POST OFFICE CASES

Witness Tells of Machen's Close Relations

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29—When the trial of the post office cases was resumed today the examination of Miss Ina Liebhardt, chief clerk of the free delivery service, who was on the stand yesterday, was continued. She testified that Machen, during most of his term, was in consultation and close touch with the first assistant postmaster general; that Postmaster General Smith once gave directions for Machen to report direct to him. It was usual, she testified, to grant tests to persons who had patented device which they wanted to have tested by the government. Orders, she added, have been given by telephone and by pencil memoranda in other matters than the Groff fasteners. Mr. Douglas offered in evidence a number of blank forms, letters and other documents bearing on the Groff fasteners. He said they were to show the methods and the basis by which the number of letter boxes and fasteners were determined for the various routes. District Attorney Beach objected. The court overruled the objection and admitted the evidence.

DEATHS

BARRINGTON—James Barrington, aged 60 years, died at his home in North Billerica yesterday. Deceased leaves a wife, three sons, Peter and Roger of North Billerica and William of England, and two sisters, Mrs. Matilda Leahey of Billerica and Mrs. Maria Davis of England.

BURNS—Edna Howe Burns died at her home in Pelham yesterday, aged 24 years. She leaves three brothers and one sister. She was for three years an attendant at the Pinkerton academy in Derry, N. H., and was a graduate of Miss Hard's school in this city.

PARADIS—Pierre Paradis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Paradis, died late yesterday afternoon at his parents' home, 141 Fletcher street, aged 13 years, 8 months and 23 days. The death was due to pleurisy, with which he had been ill for two months. He was a bright lad, a pupil of St. Joseph's college, and he was a member of the Angel Guardian sodality. Besides his parents he leaves two brothers and two sisters.

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BEST FLOUR SOLD IN LOWELL
We receive it direct from the mills in Minneapolis and sell for cash to everybody. That is why you can buy it at 50c per barrel cheaper than you have to pay for inferior grades elsewhere.
Coffees
Mocha and Java, 3½ lbs. $1; 30c lb.
Boston Blend...3 lbs. 72c; 25c lb.
Fine American Coffee. 3 lbs. 50c; 20c lb.
Good Coffee..3½ lbs. 50c; 15c lb.
Teas
Extra Teas...3 lbs. $1.65; 60c lb.
Choice Teas..3 lbs. $1.35; 50c lb.
Fine Teas....3 lbs. $1.00; 35c lb.
Good Teas.....3 lbs. 70c; 25c lb.
Crackers
Fig Bars.....10c lb.
English Wine.....10c lb.
Sugar Cookies.....10c lb.
Grandmother's Cookies...10c lb.
Oatmeal Crackers.....12c lb.
Graham Crackers.....12c lb.
Equal Lunch...3 lbs. 25c; 10c lb.
Soda Biscuit....4 lbs. 25c; 7c lb.
Lemon Cakes...5 lbs. 25c; 6c lb.
Ginger Snaps...5 lbs. 25c; 6c lb.
Common Crackers. 5 lbs. 25c; 5c lb.
Dried Fruits
Best California Prunes, 2 lbs. 25c; 15c lb.
Extra California Prunes, 2½ lbs. 25c; 12c lb.
Choice California Prunes, 3 lbs. 25c; 10c lb.
Fine California Prunes, 4 lbs. 25c; 7c lb.
Good Prunes....6 lbs. 25c; 5c lb.
California Evaporated Peaches. 10c lb.
California Evaporated Apricots. 15c lb.
Evaporated Apples. 10c and 14c lb.
Cleaned Currants, 3 lbs. 25c; 9c lb.
Granulated Sugar .....5c lb.; $4.70 per 100 lb. bag
Good New Beans.....7c qt.; 55c pk.
Best Pure Lard.....20c lb. tub $1.80; 10c lb.
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THE SUN LATEST

5 O'CLOCK

GIRL DROWNED

She Jumped Into the Nashua River

NASHUA, Jan. 29.—Celeno Doroin, an employe of the Jackson Manufacturing company, and daughter of Bello Doroin, 90 Lock street, where she resided, committed suicide by drowning yesterday afternoon. The girl has been despondent and was probably in a degree insane.

Miss Doroin was missed from her home at 4.30 o'clock and a search was instituted. Her tracks were followed from the foot of Perham street across the Green to the banks of the Nashua river, directly in the rear of the church of St. Francis Xavier. There was a place in the snow where she had apparently sat down on the edge of the bank, then slid down to the ice and walked to an open space in the stream, into which she had evidently thrown herself and was swept by the swift current under the ice below.

The police have investigated the case, but on account of the adverse conditions at this season the immediate recovery of the body is deemed well nigh impossible.

TO RECOVER $20,000.

BANGOR, Me., Jan. 29.—In the supreme court this forenoon, before Justice Emery, the trial was begun of the now famous suit of H. W. Marsh and others against the Great Northern Paper company, an action to recover $20,000. Several other suits are awaiting the outcome of this case. The cause of the action is one dealing with the rights of the defendant corporation to withhold the water in the dams and waterways under its control as against the lumber operators who depend on it for driving purposes. There will a large number of witnesses in the case. The trial, it is expected, will continue for a week at least.

The counsel for the plaintiff are Orville D. Baker of Augusta, J. F. Gould of Oldtown, P. H. Gillin and L. A. Barker of Bangor; for the defense, Chas. F. Woodward and Judge Louis C. Stearns of Bangor.

RUSSO-CHINESE BANK.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29. A branch of the Russo-Chinese Bank Asso. is to be established in this city, a license for it having been issued by the board of bank commissioners. This concern is organized under the laws of Russia with a capital stock of $7,500,000 of which 100 per cent is paid up. Prince D. Outktomsky is president.

RIVER RISING.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Jan. 29.—Conditions of the river are the most threatening this season. It has risen two feet and rivermen expect another rise of seven feet. About fifty barges were forced ashore by the ice remain in peril until they can be floated.

PUBLIC SCHOOL BURNED.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 29—The Park street public school, one of the most important in the city, has been destroyed by fire of unknown origin. Loss $60,000. Several firemen were hurt during the fire.

No Appetite

Means loss of vitality, vigor or tone, and is often a precursor of prostrating sickness. This is why it is serious. The best thing you can do is to take the great alterative and tonic Hood's Sarsaparilla Which has cured thousands.

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BOARD OF POLICE

LAWRENCE OFFICIALS TO BE APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR.

Representative Castle of Methuen, it is said, will introduce into the legislature today a bill to establish a board of police for Lawrence. It is practically the same measure as that introduced into the senate last year by ex-Senator Archie N. Frost, except that it provides for the appointment of the board by the governor, instead of the mayor, and fixes the term of office of the members at three years, instead of six. No referendum clause is attached to the bill.

Accompanying the bill will be a petition containing the signatures of a number of prominent citizens of Lawrence.

FIVE SUSPECTS

ARE BEING WATCHED BY DETECTIVES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—It is stated that the detectives who are investigating the anonymous letters sent to the Southern Pacific Co., demanding $10,000 under threat to dynamite trains have centered their suspicions on five men now in the vicinity of Fresno and that one of them has been picked out as the author of the letters. The men are said to be under surveillance. The detectives say that the activity displayed by the railroad in the effort to apprehend the authors of the plot has frightened the would-be wreckers and that danger of the threats being consummated is entirely past.

STATUE TO SOLDIERS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29—The state of Illinois soon will erect a monument in the National Military park at Vicksburg, Miss., in honor of the 35,000 Illinois soldiers and sailors who participated in the siege of that city from March 29 to July 4, 1863. The structure, expected to cost $150,000, is probably to be constructed of white marble or granite and ornamented with bronze. Bronze tablets on the exterior of the temple will have bas reliefs representing scenes participated in by Richard Yates, war governor of Illinois. The names of all the Illinois soldiers who took part in the seige will fill panels in the interior.

WILL INVEST $4,000,000.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—Richard T. Laffin, who will be general manager of the big American street railway system about to be inaugurated in Manila, has arrived here on his way to the orient. The company he says, will invest $4,000,000 in organizing a street car service of 40 miles which eventually will be extended to suburban districts. One hundred trolley cars will be sent out as a starter.

NO CHOICE YET.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 29.—The Maryland legislature in joint session took another ballot for United States senator with the following result:

Democrats, Isidor Raynor, 35; John Walter Smith, 31; Bernard Carter, 10; E. E. Jackson, 5; Joshua Miles, 4.

Republicans, Louis E. McComas, 32.

Fifty-nine votes necessary to elect.

HOWE CHOSEN AS EXPERT.

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—J. Murray Howe, member of a real estate firm in this city, was selected today by the Massachusetts board of gas commissioners to be its expert in determining the valuation of land on the several gas companies of the state which are to be amalgamated into the Boston Gas companies. These are the companies which are now in so much litigation. The gas commissioners have yet to authorize the capital stock of the consolidated organization.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS.

Among the marriage intentions taken out today were the following: Charles H. Williams (widowed), aged 31, clerk, 7 State street, to Addie M. Kelley ned Monrey (divorced), 31, 36 Summer street.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Cotton futures opened firm. March 16.10, April 16.30, May 16.40, July 16.43, August 15.86, Sept. ofd. 15.25, Oct. 13.00 Dec. 12.55.

Mr. Louis Grunewald, Jr., for some time past the able manager of the M. Steinert & Sons piano firm of this city, is to sever his connection with the firm tomorrow to enter business for himself. He has had long and valuable experience in the business.

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Men's Long Canvas Leggings	50 CENTS
Men's House Slippers, all sizes and styles	43 CENTS
Ladies' House Slippers, Beaver and Kid	45 CENTS
Youths', Misses' and Children's Shoes, all sizes	69 CENTS
Men's Fine Shoes, all leathers	98 CENTS
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GIFT OF $50,000

By Frederick Fanning Ayer to Lowell General Hospital

FREDERICK FANNING AYER.

Again Has the Wealthy New Yorker Shown His Regard for a Lowell Institution -- A New Building to be Erected Without Delay to Enlarge Hospital Work

Frederick Fanning Ayer of New York has made another princely gift to the home city of his ancestors in the shape of $50,000 to the Lowell General hospital for the erection of an additional building for the hospital which is to be a model of its kind.

The gift was made public at a special meeting of the hospital trustees held yesterday afternoon.

President Jacob Rogers called to order and then read the following letter from Mr. Ayer:

New York, Jan. 27, 1904.

To the Trustees of the Lowell General Hospital, Lowell Mass.

Gentlemen: Enclosed herewith please find my check to the Lowell General hospital for fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00,) said sum to be used exclusively for the construction of an additional building for the hospital in accordance with plans which have been approved by me and are made part of this communication.

Respectfully Yours,

(Signed) FREDERICK F. AYER.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

Dr. Stowell then moved the following resolutions which were enthusiastically adopted:—

"Resolved, that the trustees of the Lowell General hospital accept with profound gratitude this princely gift just received from Mr. Frederick Fanning Ayer of New York city, and they feel greatly impressed with this renewed manifestation of Mr. Ayer's great generosity and continued interest in our Lowell General hospital, as evinced by this munificent gift of $50,000, which with his previous donations during the past year to our hospital, aggregate the great sum of $155,000.

"The building which this gift will permit us to erect will, when completed, enable the hospital to do a much greater work than has been possible under our present limitations. And it will be the constant and most earnest endeavor of the trustees to so conduct the affairs of the institution as to merit the continued approval of our most generous donor. It is hoped and confidently expected that, with the aid and generous assistance of our citizens, a much larger amount of good can be accomplished than has been heretofore possible.

"Resolved, that we proceed at once to erect the building which Mr. Ayer's munificent gift has made it possible for us to have, and should he approve, our earnest desire is that the building should bear the name of our honored friend and patron—The Frederick Fanning Ayer Building."

The whole question of construction, letting of contract, etc., etc., was referred back to the executive and building committees, with full power.

After the exchange of congratulations among themselves the trustees adjourned.

Mr. Ayer, it is said, has had the gift in mind for some time, but did not make his intentions public until he found out the kind of a building required and its cost.

THE PROPOSED BUILDING.

The proposed building will be located almost directly east of the present building and will be connected with it by a covered passageway 60 feet in length. It will be built of brick and granite, will be 150 feet long, 40 feet wide and two stories high. The first floor will be for the use of women exclusively and the second for men. The front of each floor will be used as a ward in which there will be accommodation for 12 or 15 beds. There will also be eight or ten private rooms on each floor. When fully equipped the new building will have accommodations for about 50 persons.

A maternity department with five private rooms will be established on the first floor in the rear. Overhead will be the operating rooms, fitted up in most modern style, with special rooms for sterilizing, etherizing and for the private use of the surgeons. There will be two operating rooms, a smaller one for emergency cases. The architect is Mr. Taylor of the firm of Kendall, Taylor & Stevens of Boston, who make a specialty of hospital construction.

TUG WENT ASHORE.

PASQUE ISLAND, Mass., Jan. 29.—Tug G. M. Winslow, towing a barge, went ashore on the Sow and Pigs this forenoon. The Cuttyhunk life saving crew went out to the assistance of the Winslow and her captain requested to be taken ashore. It ewas brought in and he telegraphed to Vineyard Haven for assistance. He was informed that the tug Dudley Pray would be sent out at once. It is thought that the tug can be pulled off. The barge did not strike but is at anchor near the Winslow.

NOT GUILTY OF MURDER.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 29.—Mrs. Lulu Prince Kennedy Kramer, on trial a second time for the murder in January, 1901, of her first husband, Philip H. Kennedy, was found not guilty by a jury here today. At her first trial she was convicted and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

Domestic Troubles.

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in Stomach and Liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure. 25c at F. C. Goodale's drug store.

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TRADE CONDITIONS

REPORTED FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—Special telegrams regarding the state of trade from correspondents of the international mercantile agency throughout the United States are summarized as follows:

General wholesale orders for spring trade this month in that region are said to be heavier than in any preceding January. More than 155,000 wage earners have gone back to work in Pennsylvania and the lake region within a fortnight. Extraordinarily easy money markets are not likely to continue much longer. Early ratification of the Panama treaty would mean probable payments to Panama and the canal company shareholders. As it stands government depository banks might have to furnish $25,000,000 of the funds needed. Overhanging new capital issues will also tend to advance rates.

Officials interviewed insist that steel rail prices will not be cut and point to the interest of Pennsylvania railroad, through its steel mills, to keep the price up and to light rails being $2 higher. Despite pessimistic reports as to iron and steel, the demand continues to slowly increase, notably for structural steel and basic and forge iron.

All other countries have reached their maximum products of iron that the increase must come from the United States. Prices have been stronger for cattle, rubber, coffee, cotton goods, raw cotton, wheat and corn. Not the least encouraging feature of the business week has been the renewed confidence in a prosperous season due to an improvement in collections. St. Paul, Minneapolis & Duluth unite in reporting as large a volume of orders as at the like period a year ago. The situation is even more favorable than that in the Ohio valley and through the South Atlantic and gulf states.

BOXER DEAD

HE EXPIRED AFTER GOING FIVE ROUNDS.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 29—Charles Audette, aged 31, died last night shortly after boxing five rounds with Thomas Johnson in a Franklin street saloon. It is thought the exertion of fighting caused a blood vessel in his head to burst. Johnson was placed under arrest.

SECOND MEETING

OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS THIS EVENING.

The appropriations committee will hold another meeting this evening and will hear from some of the heads of departments.

PANEL FOUND

IT IS VALUED AT $5000 BY OWNERS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—The original panel from which was taken Sir David Wilkies famous painting "Blindman's Buff," and which was stolen from Lenox library a few days ago, has been found. The panel is valued at $5000. The thief sold it to a 42nd street dealer for $2.50. An actor furnished the first public clew to the find. He happened in the store when the picture was brought in by a stranger and offered for sale at $5.00. The dealer offered half that sum and obtained the picture. Thinking he recognized the panel the actor went at once to the library and examined a lithograph copy which showed that he was right. Returning to the shop, he found that the picture also had been identified by the dealer and arrangements were made for its return to the library.

DANISH ASSOCIATION FORMED.

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Jan. 29—The "Danish Atlantic Islands Association" has been formed with the object of arousing the nation's interest in its outlying possessions and preventing the diminution by sale or otherwise of territory under Danish sovereignty. The movement originated at the time of the proposed sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States and has been strengthened by the reports that Canada desired to purchase Greenland. Many members of the Danish nobility are among the leaders of the agitation for the retention of the West Indies, Greenland, the Faroe Islands and Iceland.

LIKE ARCTIC NAVIGATION.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29—Lake navigation this winter has fitted the crews of the steamers in service for a "dash for the pole," for it combines all the experiences of Arctic navigation. Lake Michigan has at last frozen over, the cold spell of the last few days filling up the widely scattered spots of open water between the ice floes. In most winters there is a wide stretch of open water in midlake.

At many points along the west shore the ice is piled up solid until it reaches from the bottom, forty feet deep, to an equal distance above the water line.

The average temperature for December was eight degrees below normal and thus far in January it has been four degrees. This average has been excelled but once, and that was during the winter of 1876.

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BROUGHT TO LOWELL

REMAINS OF LAWRENCE MAN INTERRED IN CATHOLIC CEMETERY.

The body of Roderick Higgins, formerly of North Billerica, who was asphyxiated by gas at 40 Summer street, Lawrence, Tuesday, was brought to this city this morning for burial by Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

The deceased was formerly employed at the Faulkner mills in North Billerica but of late has been working in Lawrence. He met death by inhaling gas from a radiator, there being a leak in the pipe. Death was accidental. Higgins was well known in this city and was well liked by all who knew him.

The remains arrived in this city this morning and the interment was in the Catholic cemetery, the last sad rites of the Catholic church being administered by Rev. James A. Walsh of St. Patrick's church. Undertaker Malloy had charge of the interment.

BISHOP HENDRICK'S ARRIVES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 29—Rt. Rev. T. A. Hendricks, one of the four newly appointed American Catholic bishops to the Philippines has arrived here on his way to the islands. Bishop Hendricks comes from Rochester, N. Y. He will be stationed at Cebu.

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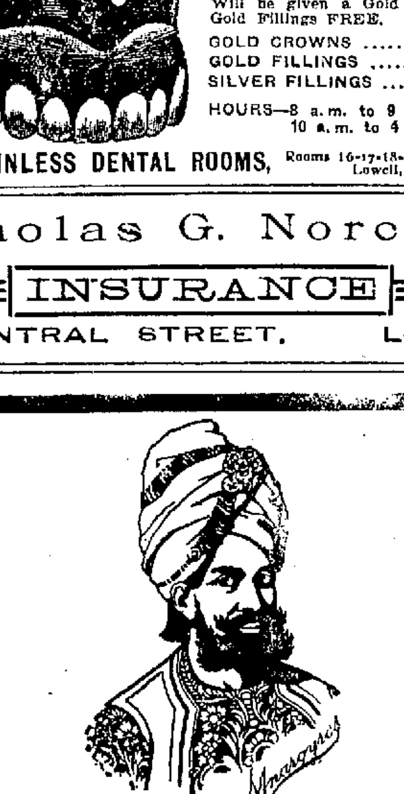

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86TH BIRTHDAY

Friends Congratulated Ex-Gov. Boutwell

BROUGHT GIFTS AND GOOD WISHES

Venerable Statesman is Still Active

GROTON, Jan. 29.—Yesterday, a perfect winter day, was the 86th anniversary of the birth of the Hon. George S. Boutwell, one of Massachusetts' first citizens, longer in public life and attaining more distinction than any other of the Old Bay state's living statesmen. The list of his titles proudly won and honorably worn began with that of representative, 55 years ago—of which ex-Gov. Claflin reminded the venerable ex-governor in a note of congratulation—and includes governor, United States senator, secretary of the treasury and all enriched by the responsibilities and successes of many years at the bar, in notable causes, and a public activity quite unparalleled.

Speaking of the character of newspaper work, especially in so far as it related to reporting speeches of public men, he observed that President Eliot was just now under the ban of alleged misquotation, to the disturbance of mind of some of the labor organizations. In his own experience, he said—and it had covered public speaking on many issues for many years—he had never been misquoted as to the essence of his views or utterances, so as to cause him any annoyance or need for correction, nor even as to the form of words—outside the essence of his idea—had there ever been a misquotation so serious as to cause him any disturbance.

The ex-governor, although he could never be accused of being an automobilist, expressed opinions that will be hailed with delight by those people. He stoutly maintained that the auto or motor car was the coming thing; that the electric street railways would not continue their present development and extension, but that capital would go into autos and road improvements, to the end that a comparatively few years would see a fine system of roads all over the country, and motor cars would have forced the horse almost out of business.

On Saturday Governor Boutwell is to be the guest of the Massachusetts club, of which he is a member, by the way, and has been asked to speak upon the history of the republican party. He has not prepared his address on this, which will be anecdotal and reminiscent rather than a didactic narrative or historical record.

Today finds Mr. Boutwell in excellent health, and surrounded by friends, for he held the usual birthday reception when his townsfolk delight to honor him. Gen. William A. Bancroft of Boston and Groton sent his annual greeting of Lawson pinks, one for each year. Other flowers were received, and many letters and gifts. One of the latter was a set of Morley's Life of Gladstone "from the members of the executive committee of the Anti-Imperialist League, not as a committee, but as a group of devoted, respectful and affectionate friends."

The venerable Rev. D. Joshua Young, for 25 years pastor of the Unitarian church here, and lately resigned—himself one of the few living men who were present when John Brown of fame was buried—sent a note in which he said: "The saying, 'Whom the gods love die young' has received a new and better interpretation. We mean 'Whom the gods love are always young.' Among all the gods I know not one is higher than the universal moral law. Whether it has loved you or not, I am sure you have lived it, which will answer every purpose. Happy man in your continuing youth, known and honored as the nation's best."

Ex-Gov. William Claflin wrote in part: "Fifty-five years ago this month I met you in the Massachusetts House of Representatives, then a leading member. From that day to this our relations have been very pleasant. I think there is no one so generally recognized as a statesman of national reputation, who has been so early in the public service and so highly honored by the people."

Two years ago Governor Boutwell received as a birthday gift a magnificent portrait of himself, the gift of 27 gentlemen. Today came a frame enclosing the photographs of 20 of them, and the names of the others were noted under the other pictures. These men were Patrick A. Collins, Albion R. Parry, Charles Fleischer, Winslow Warren, Charles G. Ames, N. Y. Allen, Albert Paison, Gamalial Bradford, William Lloyd Garrison, A. E. Pillsbury, David G. Haskins, Jr., A. A. Putnam, G. G. Mercer, Thomas Wentworth Higginson, Josiah Quincy, George E. McNeil, Moorfield Story, Edward Everett Hale, Henry W. Lamb, Erving Winslow, Francis A. Osborn, Robert M. Moore, Samuel Bowles, John Ritcher, J. P. Munroe, W. S. Sumner, Edwin D. Mead.

Among callers yesterday were former Senator Frank W. Kittredge, nephew of the late Mrs. Boutwell, and wife, and Mr. Charles F. Baker of Fitchburg, nephew of the governor, member of the Suffolk and Worcester bars.

THREATENING LETTERS

CAUSED GUARDS TO BE PLACED ON TRAINS.

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—The experience of the Southern Pacific Railroad Co. in California in receiving letters demanding large sums under the threat of dynamiting trains is similar to that of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad in this state, Connecticut and Rhode Island, when it was thought necessary recently to have several trains guarded by armed detectives. Although the officials of the railroad did not feel convinced that there was any real danger from those who sent the intimidating communications, guards were provided for several through trains from New York to Boston. No arrests were ever made and no evidence was found that there had been any attempt to carry out the threats made by the writers.

AFTER MICROBES

BERLIN AUTHORITIES ON THE WARPATH.

BERLIN, Jan. 29.—The Berlin municipal authorities have decided to make an attempt to exterminate the microbes in the public libraries. Prof. Koch having called attention to the danger of spreading infectious diseases through books loaned indiscriminately from libraries. The professor's representative, during the former's absence in South Africa, where he is studying the rinderpest for the British government, has drawn up a plan for attacking the microbes which will be submitted to the library committee of the municipal council next Tuesday. It is intended to adopt some method of disinfecting books after their use. The municipal disinfection station will take charge of the matter.

MOTHER IS DEAD

SIX OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY FATALLY BURNED.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 29.—As the result of an explosion following an attempt to hurry a fire with carbon oil, Mrs. A. F. Gray, of North Sewickley, is dead; Ethel, a daughter aged 12 years, is probably fatally burned and five other members of the family are seriously injured.

TRIED TO ENLIST

GIRL WANTED TO GO TO PHILIPPINES.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Dressed in a suit of her brother's clothes and with her long brown hair cut short and crammed into a man's wig, May Bondell, 22 years old, of Terre Haute, Ind., has applied to the recruiting sergeant at Fort Sheridan to be mustered into service for the Philippines. The girl broke down when informed that she must undergo the regular physical examination and confessed her sex. Heart-broken at the thought of separation from her sweetheart who is a private in the company, she said that she tried to enlist as a man in order to accompany him and share his danger.

IDEAL PROFESSOR

PRES. HARPER OUTLINES THE QUALIFICATIONS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—The qualifications for the ideal college professor, as outlined by President Harper in a lecture at the University of Chicago on "The Faculty of a College," are:

1. He should be married.
2.—He should be a church member.
3.—He should mix with his students outside the class-rooms.
4.—He should have a doctors degree.
5.—He should be willing to work hard 11 months in the year.
6.—He should be in sympathy with the public, and take an active interest in public affairs.

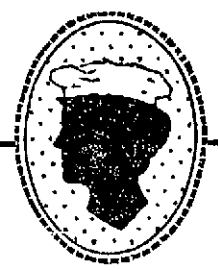
"The college professor who is married," said President Harper, "will do three times as much good in his position as one who is single and if he has three or four children he will be still better, for he will be a stronger man."

Look at the show window. Trimmed hats for 48c and 98c at Gregoire's.

WITHOUT BAIL

CYRUS RYAN HELD ON MURDER CHARGE.

HINGHAM, Mass., Jan. 29.—Charged with the murder of Quong Sing, a Chinese laundryman at Hanover yesterday, Cyrus L. Ryan was arraigned in the second district court here today before Judge Kelley. He pleaded not guilty and at the request of Capt. Proctor of the state police the case was continued until Saturday, Feb. 6, at Abington. Ryan was held without bail and taken to the Plymouth jail.



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cost but five cents per dozen, is there any reason for buying at the bakers?

You can't expect to weave white satin with blackened hands, any more than you can expect good results from papers with a bogus circulation.

SKETCH OF MERRY COASTERS ENJOYING THE PREVAILING SPORT SO POPULAR IN BELVIDERE AND CENTRALVILLE SINCE THE COLD WEATHER STARTED.

THE TOWN WINS

Fight Against Street Railway Co. Ended

OAKLAND, Me., Jan. 29.—The contest between the street commissioner of this town and the Oakland and Waterville Street Railway company to determine who shall remove the snow from the streets through which the company's tracks run, has been settled in favor of the former. An agreement was reached today and immediately a large number of men and teams were put to work by the company to remove the snow from the streets.

During the snow storm of Wednesday night the company kept snow plows constantly in motion on their lines and the snow was piled up to a depth of several feet on either side of the tracks. When the company refused to remove the snow from the streets the commissioner ordered out scrapers and men and piled the snow back on the car tracks only to have it thrown up again by the company's plows. All day the warfare continued, but when the commissioner threatened to call out the fire department and wet down the tracks the company capitulated.

HAPPY MOTHER'S TOUCHING STORY

Of Baby's Dreadful Suffering from Eczema.

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Now His Skin is as White as a Snow Flake.

"A terrible rash broke out on Charlie's poor little face and spread to his neck, chest and back. I had never seen anything quite like it before," writes Mrs. Helena Rath of 821 10th Ave., N. Y. City. "The skin rose in little lumps, and matter came out. My baby's skin was hot, and how he did suffer. He wouldn't eat, and night after night I walked the floor with him, weak as I was. Often I had to stop because I felt faint and my back throbbed with pain. But the worst pain of all was to see my poor little boy burning with those nasty sores. At last I was persuaded by a friend across the street to try the Cuticura Remedies. She gave me some Cuticura Ointment—I think the box was about half full—and a piece of Cuticura Soap. I followed the directions, bathing Charlie and putting that nice Ointment on the sores. Little by little, but so surely, Charlie and I both got more peace by day and more sleep by night. The sores sort of dried up and went away, and now Charlie is cured completely."

"Yes, that fat little boy by the window is Charlie, and his skin is as white as a snow flake, thanks to the Cuticura Remedies. I think everybody should know about the Soap and Ointment, and if it is going to help other mothers with sick babies, go ahead and publish what I have told you."

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MEN RESCUED

WERE BLOWN ALONG WITH AN ICE FLOE.

NANTUCKET, Mass., Jan. 29.—The steamer Petrel reached port early today with Louis McGarvey, a fisherman, and Alonzo Chase, both of Nantucket, who were imprisoned in the ice yesterday. The men were being blown along with an ice floe towards the open sea through the passage between Nantucket and Tuckernuck islands, the steamer finding them just in time to save their lives. Both men were exhausted by exposure and through their efforts to get the boat out of the ice. The catboat left Vineyard Haven yesterday morning for Nantucket but became imprisoned in the ice near Eel Point. The steamer Petrel spent two hours searching among the ice fields drifting north of the island last night before the men were rescued.

PLENARY POWERS

GRANTED TO GOVERNOR OF PROVINCE OF TVER.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 29—The czar has granted Minister of the Interior Von Plehwe and the governor of the province of Tver special plenary powers over the local officials of Tver in consequence of the latter's subversive tendencies. The government has been aware for some time that the administration of Tver was showing in various ways sympathy with the opponents of the existing order of things. Recently the local authorities appointed teachers in the national schools who took advantage of their position to stir up agitation against the government and religion. This was the immediate cause for granting the plenary powers, which permit the minister and the governor to make appointments to district offices, which have hitherto been elective, to prohibit meetings, to expel obnoxious persons, to dismiss officials considered dangerous to public peace, etc.

ON QUESTIONS OF LAW.

In the supreme judicial court this week a hearing on questions of law in the case of McGonigle Bros. against the Victor H. J. Belle Isle company, was held. The decision was reserved.

WILL NOT FIGHT DUEL.

MADRID, Jan. 29.—The dispute which occurred in the chamber yesterday, between War Minister Linares and Deputy Soriano, resulting in sending seconds to each other has been settled without necessitating a duel between the principals.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY.

The members of the Jolly Five and their friends to the number of about 40 conducted a very enjoyable sleighride party to Parker hotel, Nashua, last evening. Upon arriving there a fine turkey supper was served. A very interesting musical program followed, including mandolin solo, Miss Ella Gray; piano selections, Mamie M. Gilley; duet, James Hancock and John Dolan; violin solo, Mamie Welch; comic recitation, Margaret Barry and Katie Dolan; laughing song, James Rice; piano solos, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bixby; song, Lizzie Freeman; song, Perley Bixby. Dancing was then enjoyed, continuing till 3 o'clock, when the party left for home, arriving here early in the morning. The ladies in charge of the affair were Misses Ella Gray, Mamie Welch, Maggie Harry, Katie Dolan and Mrs. Roger Bixby.

FIVE-ACT DRAMA

PRESENTED IN NASHUA BY NATIONAL GUARDS OF LOWELL.

The following is from the Nashua Telegraph:

The National Guards of Lowell presented a five-act drama at the Nashua theatre Wednesday evening under the auspices of Court Rose de Lima, F. P. U., of this city. The play was in French therefore it was attended by the French residents of the city, of which there were a large number present.

The National Guards is a military organization but during the winter they present plays in the surrounding cities and their performances are always largely attended. It is considered one of the best amateur companies in this section of the country. The acting compares very favorably with some of our professionals and the members were greatly applauded last evening.

The play was entitled "The Smokers," and the scenes were laid in Mexico. Most of the characters were Spanish. The play had a very deep plot, but there was some comedy. Between the acts there were specialties, which consisted of selections by the orchestra and readings by George Labranche, Arcule Brunelle, George Carpentier and Wilfred Richards.

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TWO FRAUDS.

The merchant who would try to sell a pair of shoes without opening the box in which they came from the factory, would be regarded as a fraud and a trickster, and the newspaper which denies to the advertiser all the information he desires in reference to its circulation, must not expect the confidence of its patrons.

THEIR METHODS

The Bank Commissioners After Gage and Goggin

NASHUA, Jan. 29—In the investigations that are being made in the affairs of the Nashua Trust company of this city, it has been learned that in 1897 or 1898 the bank commissioners censured the company directors, expressing themselves at the time as disliking the methods of George E. Gage and John P. Goggin, former treasurer. George A. Ramsdell was governor at the time. Gage left the directorate in 1896.

PUGILIST OUT OF DANGER.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 29.—Ben O'Grady, the Buffalo pugilist who was knocked out at the Detroit Athletic club, last night by Noah Brusso of this city, and then removed for treatment to Harper hospital, was reported out of danger today. Brusse will no longer be detained by the police.

SHOT HIMSELF.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 29.—Jeremiah G. Farwell, son of one of the most prominent capitalists of Detroit, died in Harper hospital today, from a bullet wound through his stomach, fired it is supposed with suicidal intent. He was found at the Woodward avenue car barns early today with blood flowing from the wound through his stomach and a revolver beside him. No reason for his suicide is known. He was 30 years of age.

THE STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The stock market opened easy. Amalgamated Copper, 46¼; Atchison, 69¼; Baltimore & Ohio, 84; Brooklyn Transit, 48⅝; Canadian Pacific, 118¼; Erie, 27⅝; do. first pfd., 66⅝ ex div.; Manhattan, 144; Missouri Pacific, 94; New York Central, 110½; Norfolk & Western, 61⅛; Ontario & Western, 23¾; Penna., 120⅝; Reading, 46; Rock Island, 24¼; Sugar, 127⅞; St. Paul, 144¼; Southern Pacific, 50¼; Southern Railway, 32⅝; Union Pacific, 80⅝; U. S. Steel, pfd., 56¼; Wabash pfd., 30¾.

BIG PAY ROLL

Street Dept. Employs More Men

Twenty-five additional men went to work on the street department this morning and the entire crowd will work until 10 o'clock tonight. The pay roll for last week was $2200 and this week's will reach $6000.

WILL TAKE CHANCE

MINISTER WILLING TO STAY IN BURNING MAGAZINE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29—"To prove that large numbers of cartridges are not dangerous in case of fire, I am willing to station myself in a room where 1,000,000 cartridges are stored in wooden boxes, and let a fire be started and rage there."

The Rev. William K. McKibben, who was superintendent of a cartridge company before he entered the ministry, has made this offer to a committee appointed by the fire department to determine whether the magazines of ammunition in stores will endanger firemen while the structures are burning.

"It will be nothing new," resumed the Rev. McKibben, when the committee had recovered from its astonishment. Several years ago when the company's storehouse burned and 1,000,000 pounds of loaded gunshells were destroyed by fire, I was in the thick of it and did not get a scratch."

The experiments will probably be made next week at the foot of Randolph street. If the cartridges are found to be dangerous the merchants say they are willing to keep them in fireproof vaults in the suburbs.

Altar Candles at C. B. Coburn & Co.'s.

ARTISTS' MODEL FOUND DEAD.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—William Webb, the oldest artists' model in this city, has been found dead in his room from heart trouble. He was 80 years old and owing to his remarkable physique became widely known among artists.

during fall and winter, pay big profits. To make layers, give the hens daily

Sheridan's CONDITION Powder

It helps the older hens, makes pullets early layers, prevents sickness and is always safe and sure. In use over 30 years.

If you can't get it, we send, prepaid, one pack, 25c; five $1. A 3 lb. can $1.20; six, $5. Sample of best poultry paper free.

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10 on 1 package 14c Cero Fruto.
5 on 1 package 10c Presto.
10 on 1 lb 15c Butterine.

On Green, National, Red, White and Blue.

50 on 1 lb 50c Baking Powder.
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10 on 1 lb. 20c Coffee.
5 on 1 lb. 15c Butterine.
5 on 1 package 14c Force.
5 on 1 package 14c Cero Fruto.
3 on 1 package 10c Presto.

BEST TEAS OF ALL KINDS.

Challenge Milk ..... 4 cans for 25c
Peas ..... 3 cans for 25c
Tomatoes ..... 8c, 3 cans for 25c
Strawberries ..... 12c a can
Pears ..... 10 a can
Mince Meat ..... 8c a package
Best Round Steak ..... 2 lbs. for 25c
Best Roast Pork ..... 10c a lb
Best Sirloin and Rump Steak ..... 15c lb
Best Leg of Lamb 12c

TRY OUR BUTTERINE.

Best Butterine Made.

Prints ..... 15c a lb
Tubs ..... From 11c a lb

BEHEADED BODIES

Mob Stuck the Heads on Poles

THEN PARADED STREETS OF MOROCCO

Threatened to Destroy the Jewish Quarter

TANGIER, Morocco, Jan. 28—Morocco city has been the scene of serious disturbances in consequence of the government's attempt to force the circulation of new and unpopular copper coins, on which it placed an artificial value and which it refused to receive in payment of taxes. Business was paralyzed, provisions became scarce and starvation was threatened. A mob therefore rose and first attacked the Christian cemetery, lately given by sultan to foreign misions, burned down the gates, desecrated the graves, exhumed the bodies, cut off their heads and paraded the town with the heads stuck on poles. The rioters proceeded to the Jewish quarter with the object of destroying it, but they found the gates closed and strongly guarded. The Jews were panic-stricken until they found that the protection of the authorities was effective. The rabble subsequently looted the jewelry shops, robbing and wounding many Jews. The governor attempted to quell the disturbance, but he was stoned, pursued and obliged to seek refuge in the palace. The authorities finally induced the rioters to withdraw on the promise to temporarily withdraw the obnoxious coins.

TRIED TO ESCAPE

PRISONERS SAWED THROUGH BARS OF STEEL.

BALLSTON, N. Y., Jan. 28.—Charles F. Hahr, awaiting trial on an indictment for grand larceny in second degree, made an unsuccessful attempt to break jail here last night, with the aid of George Rosler and Clarence Stark, two young jail mates awaiting trial on charges of burglary. They sawed through the bars of steel in the cell and set fire to a mattress in an adjoining cell expecting to overpower the jailer when he came to put out the fire, secure the keys, and escape. The officials refused to be drawn into the trap and after the mattress had burned out secured the three men in separate cells. The officials believe they know who furnished the saws to Hahr. Hahr is also wanted by the police in New York, Springfield, Mass., and elsewhere. He had been supplied plentifully with funds by a brother.

JUDGE EMMONS

ORDERS POOL AND BILLIARD ROOMS CLOSED AT MIDNIGHT.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—Chairman Emmons of the police commission has issued an order that all pool and billiard rooms in the city shall be closed at midnight. Previously such places have been permitted to remain open until 2 a.m. The police also have been ordered to watch billiard and pool rooms where it is alleged young men who have been frequently arrested and sent to penal institutions for serious crimes have gathered. Under the new ruling the presence of such persons will be considered sufficient reason for revoking the license of a place. Betting on games also is prohibited.

MARRIED TO A TEACHER.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Jan. 28.—J. E. Dunning, manager of the Portland, Me., publishing company, was married here today at noon to Isabel Backus, a teacher in the mechanics institute. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Rob Roy Converse. The ceremony was private, both the bride and groom being unattended.

THIRTY BANKS REPRESENTED.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—Thirty banks were represented at the annual meeting of the Massachusetts co-operative bank association held here today. Boston co-operative banks were admitted to membership. The treasurer reported a balance of $193.

AGAINST COLD STORAGE BUSINESS.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 28—A bill aimed at the cold storage business was introduced in the general assembly today. It forbids the storage of any article of food for a longer period than 60 days. The object of the bill is to prevent the "cornering" of eggs, poultry and other articles of food.

DAMAGED STEAMER.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 28—A damaged steamer was reported off this port just after noon today. Her name had not been ascertained up to 1 p. m.

Kennedy's Oysterettes

The Oyster Cracker with a taste to it.

CHAS. E. ADAMS, President. N. G. LAMSON, Treasurer.

Merrimack River Savings Bank

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Chartered as a savings bank under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in 1871, this bank has, for more than thirty years, conducted a conservative but progressive business until it now has assets of more than two millions of dollars, with a surplus of $140,000 over all liabilities.

Deposits are received in all sums from $1.00 to $1000, and interest compounded semi-annually, until deposits, with interest, amount to $1000.

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Deposits are solicited and every possible convenience and accommodation will be afforded to all doing business with the bank.

THE ARGUMENTS

Machen Trial is Nearing an End

MOTION OF DEFENDANT'S COUNSEL OVER-RULED

Exceptions Taken by the Defense

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—When the trial of August W. Machen and others charged with conspiracy to defraud the government was resumed today, a motion by Mr. Douglass for the defense, to strike out certain evidence was over-ruled and an exception was noted. Mr. Kumler's objection to the district attorney proceeding with the case on all the indictments was also over-ruled.

Mr. Maddox in his argument for the defense, said that before the Groff fastener was patented, one-half interest in the patent was assigned to D. B. Groff. Samuel A. Groff, knowing more of the postal officials, sought to interest his friends, James E. Bell, superintendent of free delivery, and Postmaster Willett of Washington and a number of letter carriers in the fastener. A trial proved satisfactory and subsequently T. H. Marche, chief clerk of the free delivery division, called at the home of D. B. Groff and discussed the price at which the fastener could be supplied the government, a figure as high as $2 first being asked, finally being adjusted at $1.50.

Accompanying Mr. Marche when a subsequent test of the fastener was made in 1895, he said, was Dr. Lorenz, who later was strongly recommended to the Groffs by Postmaster Willett as a hustler and a good man to have with them. He said that as a result of several conferences following, Dr. Lorenz paid $500 for a one-half interest in the entire patent and received therefor 50 per cent. of the profits, the Groffs receiving 25 per cent. each. During all arrangements for the partnership between the Groffs and Dr. Lorenz, Mr. Maddox said, Machen's name had not been mentioned. There was no written contract between the Groffs and Lorenz he said. He then spoke of a letter written by Machen in June, 1899, asking one of the Groffs to come to his office.

When this was done he said Machen gave notice that the price would be reduced from $1.50 to $1.25, which action the Groffs characterized as "a high handed piece of business." Taking up the indictment Mr. Maddox said he was prepared to prove that the Groffs never offered the fastener for 75 cents.

Mr. Kumler followed and said that he would show that in 1888 the Lorenz brothers and Machen purchased eighty acres of oil property in Wood county, Ohio, later acquiring additional property. In 1889-90 he said they erected a refinery at a cost of $90,000 and undertook to put their oil on the market, but met with unexpected competition and the company was obliged to abandon refining oil. In all these operations, he said, the Lorenzs and Machen owed the National Bank of Commerce $52,000 in addition to $12,500 they owed for machinery. He then spoke of the money borrowed to pay off some of this indebtedness and said that on July 1, 1893, Dr. Lorenz came to Washington and said to Machen that if Machen would release his interest in the property together with that of Machen's uncle, he would pay Machen $25,000 and a contract and note were executed by Dr. Lorenz to pay the amount. He said the Sun Oil company finally got the property.

STOCK EXCHANGE STATEMENT.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The stock exchange authorities made the following formal statement today regarding the action of the governors in striking off the list the securities of the American Steel Foundries Co.:

"Whereas, it appears from the report of the committee on stock list, that misrepresentations of an important character relating to the financial condition of the American Steel foundries at the time of application for listing of its common and preferred stocks upon the exchange in November, 1902, were made to the committee on stock list in support of said application, therefore be it

"Resolved, that in accordance with article 33, section 4, of the constitution of the common and preferred stocks of the American Steel foundries be and hereby are removed from the list."

Under section named the governing committee is empowered to suspend dealings in the securities of any corporation previously admitted to quotation or it may summarily remove any securities in the list.

PEABODY EDUCATION FUND.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—A notable body of representative men attended a special meeting today of the trustees of the Peabody education fund. The trustees present were J. Pierpont Morgan, New York; Samuel A. Green, Massachusetts; Chief Justice Fuller, U. S. supreme court; Daniel C. Gilman, president of the Carnegie Institution; Richard Olney, Massachusetts, former secretary of state; Bishop Doane, Albany, N. Y.; Morris K. Jessup, New York; James Porter, Tennessee; William A. Courtney, South Carolina; Henderson M. Somerville, Alabama; Senator Wetmore, Rhode Island; Senator Hoar, Massachusetts, and Charles E. Fenner, Louisiana. The meeting was held behind closed doors. One of the main subjects of discussion was the report of a committee appointed at a previous meeting to consider the question of nominating a general agent with authority to act in matters now entirely reserved to the trustees. The committee consisted of Messrs. Gilman, Hoar and former Secretary of the Interior Hoke Smith. The latter was unable to be present at today's meeting.

Have You Catarrh Taint?—Here's strong evidence of the quickness and sureness of that wonderful remedy, Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder: "For years I was a victim of chronic catarrh—tried many remedies, but no cure was effected until I had procured and used Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. First application gave me instant relief, and in an incredibly short while I was absolutely cured."—James Headley, Dundee, N. Y. Sold by Falls & Burkinshaw.—18.

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RUSSIA'S REPLY

It Will be Sent to Japan On Saturday

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 28—Russia's reply to the last Japanese note probably will be dispatched on Saturday, Jan. 30. It is intimated, semi-officially, that the reply will be couched in pacific terms.

IMPERIAL COUNCIL

WILL DISCUSS QUESTIONS WITH THE CZAR.

TOKIO, Jan. 28—It is anticipated that the answer of Russia to Japan's latest note will reach Tokio not later than next Monday. Besides the intimation conveyed to Baron De Rosen, the Russian minister at the capital, that an early reply was desired, Minister Kurino at St. Petersburg called on Foreign Minister Lamsdorff and politely requested a response. Count Lamsdorff promised that the reply of his government would be delivered within a few days. It is said that the Russian imperial council will discuss the questions involved before the czar today and if an immediate decision is reached the note may arrive in Tokio on Saturday.

Russia's response is eagerly awaited. If it should prove unsatisfactory to Japan an immediate declaration of war seems unavoidable. The Japanese feel that the entire responsibility for the outcome rests with Russia. Some doubt is expressed that Russia properly appreciates the determination and temper of the Japanese people and it seems incredible that Baron De Rosen has failed to correctly inform the government at St. Petersburg of the situation. Japan is busy perfecting a financial program. The announced plan to issue bonds and increase taxation meets with popular approval, but some objections have been made to the proposed methods of procedure as well as to the redemption plan. It is said that the final details will be settled soon.

Premier Katsura and the other members of the Japanese cabinet will entertain at dinner today a number of prominent bankers of the empire who have gathered at the capital to discuss the financial situation and assist in the perfecting of the government's plan.

Tomorrow the premier and cabinet will give a dinner to a group of millionaire financiers and President Matsuwo of the bank of Japan will give a banquet to the visiting bankers, at which Matsukata and Inoyoi, former ministers of finance, will deliver addresses.

The Marquis Ito Matsukata and Gen. Yamagata, members of the imperial household finance council, had an audience with the emperor today at which it was decided that the imperial household should subscribe to the government's issue of bonds should they be issued. It was undecided, however, what amount should be taken. This will make the emperor a personal subscriber to the proposed bonds.

The government is receiving many offers for the bonds and it is said that the issue will be oversubscribed several times.

A PACIFIC ADJUSTMENT.

PARIS, Jan. 28.—U. S. Ambassador Porter had another lengthy talk with Foreign Minister Delcassé today, going over the latest phases of the Russo-Japanese situation. M. Nelidoff, the Russian ambassador, and Prince Radolin, the ambassador of Germany, called at about the same time.

The former firmly believes the czar's influence will lead to a pacific adjustment, but other officials of the embassy do not share the ambassador's views and are inclined to believe that war will result.

Prince Von Radolin, who was stationed at St. Petersburg for a long time and who is familiar with court influences, considers that the war element is likely to get the upper hand.

Government opinion here remains unchanged, the officials holding that the situation is more warlike but that it has not passed beyond the chance of diplomatic adjustment.

It can be asserted positively that France shares the view of the United States, British and other governments that no joint mediation is desirable as it would probably irritate the situation but that each power should use its influence through its own diplomatic channels towards the maintenance of peace.

GOODWIN PARDON

Hearing Before Judiciary Committee

BOSTON, Jan. 28—For the acknowledged purpose of obtaining tht release from prison of Henry K. Goodwin of Lawrence, now serving a term of life imprisonment for murder, a number of Lawrence citizens and Goodwin's attorney appeared before the committee on judiciary today in support of the bill releasing on parole prisoners who have served in the civil war. Mr. Rowley, Goodwin's attorney, said that in his opinion Goodwin is being kept in jail by certain electrical companies of the state, but when pressed to bring evidence to support such a statement, Mr. Rowley said he only had a letter intimating such a condition. There was no opposition to the bill and the committee took the matter under advisement.

THE GYPSY MOTH

MORE MONEY WANTED TO FIGHT IT.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—An account of the ravages of the gypsy moth in many localities in northern Massachusetts was laid before the legislative committee on agriculture today and it was asserted that while the state had spent $11,000,000 up to 1901, the failure to carry on the work during the past two years had allowed the pest to gain such headway that the money had been practically thrown away.

The committee inspected a portion of the infected district yesterday and today the room in which the hearing was held was crowded.

The petitioners, led by the city officials of Medford, instead of asking for a direct appropriation by the state submitted a bill this year for what they claimed would be an equitable apportionment of the expense of suppressing the moth between the individual property holders, the town or city and the state.

It was City Solicitor Hallowell of Medford who made the statement that as the result of the inactivity in fighting the pest during the past three years, the 11,000,000 spent up to that time had been practically thrown into the Atlantic.

The committee also heard from the cities of Somerville, Malden, Melrose, Woburn, Waltham and Lynn and from many towns throughout the district. The opponents to the plan, and they are many, will be heard at a later day.

PLEASANT SURPRISE

SCHOONER BOHEMIA IS SAFE AT GLOUCESTER.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Jan. 28—A pleasant surprise to shipping interests here was the arrival today of the schooner Bohemia, Capt. Seeley, which was supposed to be frozen in somewhere off the coast of Newfoundland. The vessel brought 900 barrels of frozen herring. Capt. Seeley reports he left Bay of Islands, N. F., on Jan. 19 with three other schooners, the Parthia, Fernwood and A. M. Nicholson. Off Cape St. George the great ice field surrounded the little fleet and only the Bohemia succeeded in cutting her way out. Capt. Seeley knows nothing of the present condition or whereabouts of the other three vessels. He found so much ice along the coast that he was obliged to keep well out to sea during the remainder of his trip. He states that he found great ice fields way down the Nova Scotia coast, something he had never before seen in his many years of northern fishing trips.

The Fernwood was reported a few days ago as having been abandoned by her crew off Port Au Port, N. F., near Cape St. George. No tidings have been received from the Parthia, a Gloucester vessel, and the A. M. Nicholson, which hails from Bucksport, Me.

You can't expect to weave white satin with blackened hands, any more than you can expect good results from papers with a bogus circulation.

FATALLY BURNED

MANCHESTER CHILD NOT EXPECTED TO LIVE.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Jan. 28.—While in bed this morning Annie, the 9-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lydon of 204 Chestnut street, was fatally burned about the upper half of her body. She was removed to the Sacred Heart hospital. The physicians have no hope of her recovery. No reason is known for the fire.

KELLEY CONVICTED

CHARGED WITH MURDER OF HIS WIFE.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 28.—Peter Kelley, charged with poisoning his wife by the use of strychnine last October, was convicted of murder in the second degree by a jury today. Counsel for Kelley immediately gave notice of an appeal to the supreme court of errors, on the ground that Judge Wheeler erred in excluding evidence calculated to show Kelley's innocence. The state alleged that Kelley's motive was to get possession of property standing in his wife's name.

The grand jury today returned a true bill of murder in the first degree against Joseph Eardley who is held for the killing of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Elizabeth Lawrence, on Dec. 28. Judge Wheeler appointed counsel to defend Eardley who will be tried next month.

SCHOOL TEACHER

HAS RIGHT TO INFLICT BODILY PUNISHMENT ON BAD PUPIL.

AUBURN, Me., Jan. 28.—For a second time courts in Maine have decided that a school teacher has a right to inflict bodily punishment on an unruly pupil. The referented verdict was given today by a jury in the supreme court in the case of Prince A. Kilgore vs. George M. Hartford, in which Kilgore, the father of a 11-year-old pupil, under Miss Hartford's instruction, sought to recover $1000 damages alleged to have been sustained by the boy at the hands of the defendant. After deliberating two hours the jury returned a verdict of not guilty. In instructing the jury Judge Savage, who presided, said:

"A schoolmaster has the right to inflict reasonable corporal punishment."

The case was previously heard here at the September term and a verdict of not guilty was returned. The court, however, ordered the verdict set aside and a new trial to be held.

MADE A NEW RECORD.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—A despatch received today at the Boston office of the Hamburg-American line states that the steamer Deutschland, which arrived at Naples at 8.40 a. m. today from New York, made a new record for steamships between these two cities. The distance was covered in seven days, 16 hours and 45 minutes. Several Boston people were on board.

COLDEST DAY YET.

SKOWHEGAN, Me., Jan. 28.—Today was the coldest of the winter in this section of the state. Thermometers here recorded 35 below zero while unofficial instruments at Athens and Brighton registered 36 below.

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Our Great Slaughter Sale

You buy everything at your own price, "No hot air," no exaggeration, but plain, simple truth and by big odds the greatest bargain treat in Lowell.

Follow the Wise Ones

As this sale time is limited, we will have to vacate the store on February 24th. Therefore, if you value your dollars you will call at once and take advantage of this money saving sale now going on at 124 CENTRAL STREET.

LEMKIN & CARP No. 124 Central Street

FORMERLY MERRILL'S BOOK STORE.

FROZEN TO DEATH

MAN AND HIS HORSE FOUND DEAD.

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Jan. 28.—Edwin L. Green and his horse were found frozen to death on a country cross road near Brockville. Green left home Sunday to visit his brother. His family supposed he was still there but neighbors found the body half a mile from his home. The horse was stuck in a snowbank and, in trying to extricate it, Green removed a shaft strap and the horse began kicking, crushing two of Green's ribs over the heart.

SENTENCE SUSPENDED

IN CASE OF RICHARD CARVEL, THE WALKING DELEGATE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28—Sentence was suspended today in the case of Richard Carvel, the walking delegate of the derrickmen, riggers and painters' union, who pleaded guilty to attempted extortion in collecting $900 from Thomas T. Hopper in order to prevent the calling of a strike.

OUT OF WORK

WEAVERS SAY THEY CANNOT RUN MORE LOOMS.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Jan. 28—There are now about 60 or 70 weavers out of work on account of the strike at Hargraves mill, No. 1, in this city. These weavers contend that they are unable to make the pay they should because of the fact that they are required to run more looms than is possible. The looms are equipped with an electric stop motion and there is a difference of opinion between the weavers and the management of the mill as to the number it is possible for a weaver to run. The strike of the weavers has thrown five loomfixers out of employment also. There are 14 loomfixers out at the Parker mill.

FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—A petition for a "more fitting and less dangerous celebration for the Fourth of July" and prohibiting the use of toy pistols, blank cartridges and cannon crackers, was filed today in the the legislature by the Daughters of the American Revolution. Another petition was filed prohibiting the use of boracic or salicylic acid in the preservation of food products.

CHIEF COLEMAN HERE.

Chief Coleman, of the Worcester fire department, is the guest of Chief Hosmer of the local fire department today. Chief Coleman was shown over the ruins of the Fellows building, the Odd Fellows building and St. Patrick's church.

MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS.

BOSTON, Jan. 28. Winslow Warren was the chief speaker this afternoon at the 40th meeting of the society of the Mayflower Descendants of Massachusetts. Mr. Warren's subject was "The Cheerful Side of the Pilgrim Character."

THE COLD WAVE.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—Reports from northern New Hampshire and Maine indicate that a cold wave rolled over those sections early today. At North Weare, N. H., it was 42 below and at Skowhegan it was 36 below.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES MEET.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—The annual conference of the woman's auxiliaries of Young Men's Christian associations of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, which were opened today in this city, were attended by a large number of enthusiastic workers from the two states. After a praise service, State Secretary Armstrong gave an account of the association work, making particular mention of the efforts made by Secretary Collins, for the elevation of the United States troops in the Philippines. She spoke also of the work in late years among the industrial classes in an educational way.

CLARK TRAIN LATE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—The Santa Fe special on which was Charles W. Clark in a record breaking attempt to reach the bedside of his dying wife in New York, reached Chicago at 1.50 p. m., today. Mr. Clark had been informed of his wife's death.

The special which left Albuquerque, N. M., at 5.45 a. m., yesterday, made the trip to Chicago, 1377 miles, in 32 hours and five minutes, which is four hours and 55 minutes faster than the time of the Santa Fe's fast "California limited" and 25 minutes faster than the time of the west-bound Lowe special last August. Mr. Clark went from the station to the Auditorium and at 5.30 o'clock this afternoon he will take the Lake Shore limited for New York.

CONSTIPATION

Its Cause and Cure

Cathartics and Purgatives Soon Lose Their Effect and Do More Harm Than Good.

Nature has provided only one way to get food into the system.

The necessity of getting rid of the waste products—poisons if they remain—is emphasized by the fact that she has provided four ways to get rid of them.

The bowels, the kidneys and bladder, the pores of the skin and the lungs all unite to keep the system clear of waste matter.

If the bowels become inactive that portion of the food which should be expelled lies in the intestines and ferments, causing blood, nerve, liver and kidney trouble and preparing the entire system for disease.

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LIVELY DEBATE

Bryan and Roosevelt Under Discussion

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—When the house convened today, Mr. Van Duzer (Nev.) sought to secure consideration of a resolution calling on the secretary of war for information as to what articles manufactured for the department are made by convict labor. Objection to its consideration on the ground that it was a privileged resolution was sustained.

By agreement general debate on the urgent deficiency bill was extended until 5 p.m. Consent was given to make the Connell-Howell election contest resolution the special order for February 9.

The house then went into committee of the whole with Mr. Towney (Minn.) in the chair and resumed the consideration of the urgent deficiency bill.

Mr. Benny (N. J.) speaking in defence of Mr. Bryan, said he did not feel hurt as he was in good company. He quoted Senator Dolliver as having said at a banquet in New York that no man had a right to hiss the name of W. J. Bryan. Mr. Benny said it is the republican party that is sick.

"They haven't got Dr. Hanna to say a word to help them out," he said. "He would inscribe on the shaft to the republican party at its death that its policies of 'let well enough alone,' 'stand pat' and 'we hold the ace,' killed it, with a postscript signed by Hanna, saying if the reporter had used the word 'edge' instead of 'ace,' they would have been all right."

"You brag and blow here about the great courage of the man who is now president of the United States," Mr. Benny said. "The man who is courageous is a man who dares to do right. The man who shoots a lion or a Spaniard in the back does not necessarily have to be courageous."

Mr. Bede (Mich.) began his remarks on the political question by stating that if the democrats would agree to stop abusing Mr. Cleveland he would agree to have the republicans stop abusing Mr. Bryan, saying both are working in the interest of the republican party. He created a ripple of laughter by inviting the democratic party to disband.

Mr. Roosevelt, he declared, will be triumphantly elected president, and he asked the democrats to make it unanimous. The only opposition to Mr. Roosevelt, he said, was a little bunch of populists down in Wall street. The democrats, he said, were without a leader and he advised them to get away from issues. Mr. Bede entered upon a review of the conditions existing under republican rule saying that the country could return to the situation of 1893 by disturbing present conditions.

He said the democrats seemed to fear that we are to have an empire, referring to a statement made by Mr. Bryan in his speech on that question. Empires, he said, had been driven from this continent and our people had gone away out in the Pacific and had asked Queen Lil to come off a throne.

Referring to the Panama question, he said every one wanted done that which had been done. He said every democrat in the house would vote for the treaty if they had a vote. He had heard the objection raised that the digging of the canal would permit the two oceans to combine.

The prophecy that to nominate Mr. Roosevelt for vice presidena could take him out of New York politics did not come true. He said it was proposed to stop the use of carriages by department officials and asked if anything was done to stop the president from using a free train, declaring that he had heard that a free train was placed at his disposal.

Mr. Thayer (Mass.), asked if Mr. Benny could tell why it was that Mr. Driggs was prosecuted in New York on a statute under which he could be convicted and Mr. Dietrich under a statute on which he could not be convicted.

Mr. Benny replied that it was because they wanted to catch Mr. Driggs and did not want to catch the other man. He said there will be one issue that cannot be dodged, declaring that to be: "Are the railroads to be permitted to drive one set of men out of business and make millionaires out of another set, and are they to be permitted to favor the Standard Oil Co.?"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Among the petitions presented in the senate today were one each from the boards of trade of Philadelphia and Brunswick, Ga., for the prompt ratification of the Panama canal treaty.

The joint resolution authorizing the acceptance from citizens of France of a re-production of A'anger's bust of Washington was passed.

When Mr. Morgan's resolutions calling for Minister Buchanan's letter concerning amendment to the canal treaty was laid before the senate, Mr. Morgan withdrew it, saying that he had been informed that it was the intention of the president to send the document to the senate in executive session.

The resolution of Mr. Culberson, introduced at the instance of the democratic caucus requesting the president to inform the senate whether all the correspondence relating to the construction of an isthmian canal has been sent to the senate, was taken up. Mr. Cullom objected to the resolution as too broad as to date, and on his suggestion Mr. Culberson amended it so as to limit the request to all correspondence since June 28, 1902, the date of the approval of the Spooner act.

Mr. Cullom then suggested that the resolution be further amended so as to relieve the president from the necessity of sending information to supply which would in his opinion be incompatible with the public interest. Mr. Culberson declined to accept this amendment and made a speech in support of his objection and in favor of the adoption of the resolution as it stood.

Mr. Culberson said that the resolution calls only for public documents and these, he contended, the senate is entitled to receive.

Mr. Cullom assured Mr. Culberson that whether his amendment was accepted or not "the senate will get all the information there is in the department pertinent to the general question."

Mr. Clay asked whether the senate as a part of the treaty making power has not a right to all the information bearing upon a treaty which the executive itself has.

Mr. Cullom replied that it was his opinion that the president has a right to refuse to comply with the resolution, whether the modification was inserted or not. He had no doubt, however, that the president would send every scrap of the information.

"Suppose he does not?" asked Mr. Tillman.

"Then," replied Mr. Cullom, "we will deal with the situation when it comes."

FOR ROOSEVELT

KANSAS CITY MEN ALSO FOR WALBRIDGE.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 28.—The republican convention of the Fifth Missouri district today elected two delegates and two alternates to the national convention at Chicago and instructed them to "vote and use all honorable means to secure the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt for president; also to support Cyrus P. Walbridge of St. Louis for vice-president."

FROM YESTERDAY'S LATE EDITIONS

MISKELLA'S BILL

For Municipal Ownership of Underground Conduits

Presented to Legislature by Rep. O'Brien Today—Full Text of the Bill

Lowell's fight for municipal ownership of underground conduits began today when Rep. O'Brien presented Alderman Miskella's bill to authorize the city of Lowell to construct, operate and maintain conduits.

The bill drafted by City Solicitor Hogan from material furnished him by Alderman Miskella who has made a thorough study of the question, was taken to Boston today and undoubtedly will be given a hearing at an early date.

When the hearing is held Mayor Howe, Alderman Miskella, Wire Inspector McElholm and others will appear in favor of the bill.

The bill in full is as follows:

An Act to Authorize the City of Lowell to Construct, Operate and Maintain Conduits and their Connecting Structures for Electrical Wires, Cables and Conductors.

Section 1. The city of Lowell is hereby authorized to construct, operate and maintain conduits, manholes, and the necessary distributing boxes and service pipes connected therewith, in, through and under any public street, avenue or way in said city, and may compel any person, firm or corporation owning or operating electric wires, cables or conductors, over, along or across any public street, avenue or way, to place the same in such conduits and manholes in the manner hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. When such conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes have been completed, said city may at any time or times thereafter notify any person, firm or corporation owning or operating electric wires, cables or conductors, over, along any public street, avenue or way, or across any public street, avenue or way, or anypart thereof situated within the territory covered by such construction, that such conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes have been completed and are ready for use in such territory or any part thereof, and that such person, firm or corporation is required within one year from the service of such notice to remove any and all wires, cables and conductors in use by or belonging to such person, firm, or corporation, over, across or along any public street, avenue or way, or any designated part thereof situated in the territory covered by such construction, and also any or any part or parts of the supporting poles or structures therefor; provided, however, that in said city no person, firm or corporation shall, except with his or its written assent, be required during the first year after the giving of such notice to remove, under the provisions of this act, more than so many of such wires, cables and conductors as may be situated in the territory provided for by the conduits constructed in or under not more than two additional miles of street or streets, and if all the wires, cables, conductors and supporting poles and structures included in such notice are not removed within one year from the date of the service of said notice, as aforesaid, then the board of aldermen of said city, with the approval of the mayor, may, without being deemed guilty of any trespass and without being held liable for any damage, forthwith cause all such wires, cables, conductors and supporting poles and structures, wherever found above ground, to be removed, and may collect all expenses of such removal from the person, firm or corporation owning or operating the same.

Sec. 3. Said city is hereby authorized at any time hereafter to acquire by purchase the ownership of conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes completed or in process of construction of any part thereof belonging to any person, firm or corporation in, through or under any public street, avenue or way in said city, at such price as may be agreed upon between the owner or owners thereof and said city. This act shall not be construed to revoke any rights heretofore granted by said city to any person, firm or corporation to lay and maintain conduits in, through or under its streets or any of them.

Sec. 4. The cost of constructing conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes, as provided in this act, may be raised by loan, or said city shall have authority to issue bonds to be denominated on the face thereof Lowell Conduit Bonds, in excess of the limit of indebtedness allowed by law to an amount not exceeding the cost of constructing such conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes, including, also, such amounts, if any, as shall be paid under the provisions of this act for the purchase of any system or systems of conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes. The principal of said bond shall be payable at a period not exceeding thirty years from the date of their issue, and they shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding five per centum per annum; and said city may sell such bonds or any part thereof from time to time or may pledge the same for money borrowed for the above purposes. The provisions of the ninth, tenth and eleventh sections of chapter twenty-nine of the public statutes, so far as the same may be applicable, shall apply to this act.

Sec. 5. Said city may, after constructing or requiring a system of conduits for electric wires, cables and conductors, as herein provided, grant locations therein, and shall charge such rental for the use of the same and for the use of a duct or ducts therein, together with connecting manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes as the mayor and board of aldermen of said city may think proper. But such charge shall be sufficient to meet the requirements of the annual interest and sinking fund payments, together with the cost of maintenance, operation and repair of such system. Such charge, however, shall not exceed the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars per mile, annually, for each two and one-half or three inch duct.

Sec. 6. If said city uses any part of such conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes for any purpose from which it receives a revenue it shall pay a part of such rental proportionate to such use, and said city may make all reasonable regulations in the apportionment of such rental among the different persons, firms or corporations using such conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes, but no discrimination shall be made in favor or against any person, firm or corporation in the amount so charged. And said city, after due notice to the parties interested, shall have the right to discontinue, at any time, the use of any conduit or conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes constructed or acquired by it, as herein provided, without being liable in damages therefor to any person, firm or corporation having locations therein.

Sec. 7. Nothing in this act shall be construed to refer to the trolley wires of street railway companies, or to the supporting span or guard wires of such trolley wires, or to the poles used exclusively for the support of such trolley span, guard or supporting wires. Nor to long distance telephone wires. By long distance wires shall be understood any and all telephone wires connecting central distributing stations more than twenty-five miles apart.

Sec. 8. No system of conduits and manholes shall be constructed under or across any state highway by said city under the provisions of this act, until a plan of such conduits and manholes has been presented and approved in writing by the Massachusetts highway commission.

Sec. 9. Said city shall keep and maintain said system of conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes, established as herein provided, at all times in good serviceable condition and shall have the right by ordinance or by-laws, or otherwise, to make any reasonable rules and regulations not inconsistent with the law in relation to the use, maintenance, care, protection and renewal of all such conduits, manholes, distributing boxes and service pipes.

Sec. 10. All rights, powers and authorities given by this act shall be exercised by said city subject to the duties and restrictions herein contained and in such manner and by such agents, officers and servants as the mayor and board of aldermen of said city shall from time to time ordain, direct and approve.

Sec. 11. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

MATRIMONIAL

The marriage of Mr. James McMahon and Miss Della Neylon took place last evening at St. Patrick's parochial residence. The bride was attended by her cousin, Miss Margaret McGowen, and the best man was Mr. Jeremiah Kelley a cousin of the groom. After the ceremony the bridal party drove to 746 Broadway, the future home of the young couple, where a wedding reception was held. Mr. and Mrs. McMahon were the recipients of many beautiful wedding gifts. They left last evening on a wedding tour which will include a visit to New York and Philadelphia. They will be at home after March 1.

TUESDAY NIGHT CLASS.

The old "Tuesday Night" dancing class held an enjoyable social in Elvin's hall, Dutton street, last night. The affair was an invitation one and the acquaintances formed several years ago at the dancing lessons were renewed last night. Music was furnished by the Middlesex orchestra. During intermission a lunch was served.

PROBATE COURT, CAMBRIDGE.

Administrations, H. J. Gleason, Arlington; H. G. Glidden, Newton; M. J. Hopkinson, Wakefield; Dorothy Leuchte, Somerville; Susan Conant, Acton; Jane McDonald, Dracut; Edmund Percival, Cambridge; Elizabeth Haynes, Somerville; Betsey Beach, Marlboro; Gilbert Trueworthy, Lowell; Ellen Wilkins, Carlisle; Marion McDonald, Cambridge; H. P. Tuttle, Acton; E. I. Malden, Somerville; J. H. Smith, Newton; J. A. Nauss, Waltham; W. F. Hall, Ashby; Patrick Tully, Cambridge; David Casey, Watertown; C. A. Jenks, Natick.

ROLLED TO DEATH

FOREMAN WAS TRYING TO ENCOURAGE TIMID WORKERS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—James G. Goodrich, foreman on the women's home which is being built in Harrisons out of the million dollar legacy left by Mrs. Mariam Osborn, gave his life yesterday to show a gang of coppersmiths that he was not afraid to venture on the icy roof.

The men were timid about going to work, but Goodrich started out on the roof.

"Well, boys, if you're afraid, I am not," he said. "Here I go."

Just then his foot slipped. He rolled to the edge and fell 75 feet, breaking his neck. His body was badly mangled.

Goodrich leaves a widow and five children.

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY TRUSTEES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The annual meeting of the trustees of the Catholic university was held here today. Those in attendance were Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishops Ireland of St. Paul, Keane of Dubuque and Williams of Boston; Bishops Spalding of Peoria, Maes of Covington, Ky., Foley of Detroit, Horstman of Cleveland and Harkins of Providence and Messrs. Michael Jenkins, Baltimore, and Thomas E. Waggaman, Washington. There was a general discussion of plans and the work was outlined for the meeting of the trustees and of all the archbishops in the United States to be held in this city next spring.

MONSTER SEWER

To Extend Through Merrimack Valley

Rep. Muller of Lawrence today introduced in the house of representatives a bill which provides for the appointment of a commission of five members to investigate and determine the feasibility and cost of the construction of a trunk line sewer through the Merrimack valley from a point in New Hampshire to tide water. The commission has until January 15, 1905, to make its report and is authorized to contract reasonable expense for clerical work, experts, etc. The commissioners are to serve without compensation.

SIX SNOW PLOWS

USED TO CLEAR STREET RAILWAY TRACKS.

In order that the local electric cars may be running on scheduled time before long six plows are going over the different routes throughout the city clearing the snow which has fallen into the tracks since the storm. The local street railway company has been up against a tough proposition since the storm the night before last and while other cities in this vicinity are running their cars on almost any old time the local cars are but two or three minutes off their schedule.

Sleighs passing through streets where the rails are throw snow into the tracks and make the rail slippery. Then again when the sun comes out and the rail begins to sweat it makes more trouble. With all the trouble which the road has had to contend with it is overcoming it with wonderful rapidity.

LOST A FINGER

O. C. JOHNSON HURT AT AMASA PRATT'S.

O. C. Johnson, aged 62 years and residing at 102 Wannalancit street, met with a painful accident this afternoon while at work at Amasa Pratt's in Dutton street. He was at work on a buzz planer when his right hand got caught on the knife.

He was taken to the Emergency hospital where it was found necessary to amputate the little finger close to the hand, while the fourth finger of that hand was dressed.

DYING WOMAN

QUERIES POLICE RELATIVE TO THE WHEREABOUTS OF HER SISTER.

Supt. Moffatt is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Annie Ford Wood of Lynn, Mass., seeking information as to the whereabouts of her sister, Lillian Ford, who was last heard of in this city. She said that her sister married James Glynn of this city. He was a motorman. Mrs. Wood is at the Lynn city home and is very ill.

SAILORS' UNION

WILL NOT SUBMIT TO CUT IN WAGES.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—In connection with the threatened tie up of shipping from this part resulting from the decision of the vessel owners to cut sailors' wages $5 a month, the sailors union today sent a communication to the owners in which they say they will not submit to the reduction in their wages. They offer, however, the following proposition:

First, that the masters need not pay any money to the sailors during the voyage except at their option.

Second, they agree to the establishment of a board of arbitration between the carriers and the sailors.

Third, they agree to punish all those sailors whose cases have been passed upon adversely by the board of arbitration, which they suggest be appointed.

The first of these propositions is a concession to the carriers' association, inasmuch as the vessel owners for some time have wished to be relieved of the necessity of paying any part of the sailors' wages during the voyage.

The union expresses the opinion that the reduction of five dollars a month will not affect materially the profits accruing to the owners of the vessels. They submit that their concessions are certainly a set off to the proposed lowering of the wages.

FOR USE OF G. A. R.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—By the adoption of an order in the house here today, the Grand Army of the Republic will be accorded the privilege of using the hall of the house and such committee rooms in the state house as may be found necessary at the national encampment of the G. A. R., which will be held here.

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If you have a tenement idle that rents for $15 a month, you are losing 50 cents a day every day it is vacant. A little ad. in The Sun "To Let" column will rent your tenement in a very few days. Others have tried it with good results; why don't you try it?

BOARD OF TRADE

Presents Tax Dispute Bill to Senate

In the senate today the petition of Charles H. Conant and others a special committee of the Lowell board of trade relating to the assessment and abatement of taxes was presented. The petition provides that when the value of property is in dispute the matter shall be referred to three appraisers to be appointed by the court.

MINE WORKERS

HAVE GIVEN $5,000 FOR MINE VICTIMS.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 28.—The United Mine Workers have voted $5,000 for the immediate relief of the families of the 190 miners killed in the Harwick mine explosion at Cheswick, Pa. The convention instructed the national executive board to obtain the services of expert mining engineers and to make a thorough investigation and to obtain information that will probably be used in movements for legislation in the various mining states to prevent mine horrors.

HELD FOR MURDER

WOMAN ENTERED INTO A SECRET MARRIAGE.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 28.—Mrs. Lulu Prince Kennedy, on trial for the murder of her husband, Philip Kennedy, collapsed in court yesterday. She had been in tears all morning, and when her mother took the stand and said the defendant had been secretly married since her former conviction, Mrs. Kennedy fainted and it was necessary to carry her from the room.

A few days before he was killed Kennedy brought suit to have the marriage set aside, alleging that Miss Prince's father and two brothers had forced him into it. Mrs. Kennedy was convicted at her first trial and was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. The supreme court recently reversed the decision.

RAYNOR IN THE LEAD.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 28.—In the joint session of the Maryland legislature today the ballot for U. S. senator resulted as follows:

Democrats, Isidor Raynor, 37; John Walter Smith 32, Bernard Carter 11, E. E. Jackson 5, Joshua Miles 4.

Republican, Louis E. McComas 37.

Sixty-four votes are necessary for election.

PAT KEEGAN HAS A SON.

Pat Keegan, the well known local bicycle rider, will soon introduce a new racing man into the game, though Pat says it will be a few years before the youngster will be able to do some of the stunts his father has done on the wheel. The new rider arrived at Keegan's house in Tilden street yesterday and weighs 15 pounds, one of the largest, if not the largest, babies ever born in this city.

WALL STREET GOSSIP.

10.10 a. m.—The opening stock market showed great irregularity within narrow limits and on a moderate volume of trading. Different members of the Penna group, the Pacifics and the iron and steel industrials moved in contrary directions. United States Steel pfd., Southern Pacific and Wabash pfd. declined ⅛. Pressed Steel Car rose ⅝ and Realty pfd. a point.

LIEUT. DABOVSKY SAILS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Among the cabin passengers who sailed on the French line steamer La Touraine today was Lieut. Col. A. D. Dabovsky of the Russian army, who has been stationed at Hong Kong and who is returning under a special order of the Russian government.

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SPECIAL NOTICES

SPECIAL THIS WEEK—$8.00 worth of Red, White and Blue Trading Stamps given with one pound of our 60c Oolong, English Breakfast or Assam Tea; $5.00 worth of any kind of Trading Stamps with one pound of our 50c tea; $3.00 worth with our 35c coffee. The Elwood Tea & Coffee Co., Davis square.

REMOVED—John J. Conlon's pool rooms have been removed from Urban hall to 27 Shattuck street.

THE FOLLOWING SAYS: That you can get a doll carriage, a go-cart or a handsome doll with a pound of tea or two pounds of coffee at Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The two o'clock and five o'clock editions of The Sun are on sale every day at both newsstands in the Union station, Boston.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, State House, Boston, Jan. 27, 1904. The Committee on Judiciary will give a hearing to parties interested in the bill (House No. 193) relative to destroying or injuring personal property; also petition (House No. 228) of George A. Seiglinno for further legislation relative to liens for labor performed and material furnished; also petition (House No. 259) of John H. Lowney for legislation to authorize the recovery of indirect damages in actions against counties, cities and towns for personal injuries, at room No. 227 State House, on Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. A. M. Taft, Chairman. Wm. A. Kelley, Clerk of the Committee.

HELP WANTED

YOUNG MEN everywhere copy letters home evenings; $9.50 week; send addressed envelope for particulars. Manager Dept. 871, Box 1411, Philadelphia, Pa.

WOMEN to sew at home, $9 per week; materials sent everywhere free; steady work, plain sewing only; send addressed envelope for full particulars. S. D. N., Du Pont, Philadelphia, Pa.

LADIES wanted everywhere copying letters at home evenings or spare time and return to us; no mailing or canvassing; $9 weekly earned; materials free; enclose self-addressed envelope for particulars. Guarantee Co., No. 871 Ninth street, Philadelphia, Pa.

WANTED—Young man to learn the electrical business. Address C. E., this office.

WANTED—Good reliable man for the farm; one that can milk and drive team. Call at S. P. Pike's Middlesex market, 528 Middlesex street.

WANTED—An experienced housegirl for family of two. Give reference. Address Pleasant, Sun Office.

WANTED—Housegirl in small family. No washing. Care of one child. Address C, Sun Office.

WANTED—One or two children to board. 437 Lakeview avenue.

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WANTED—Children to board in the country; terms reasonable. Address box 163, Billerica.

IF YOU WANT a cord or more of dry hard wood for $6, telephone to P. Cogger, truckman, 498 Riverside street.

WANTED—Donations of second-hand clothing for men, women and children for destitute families in our city. Please send bundles or card to Mattie A. Towns, War Cry Sergeant, Salvation Army, Appleton street, Bancroft block, room 12, Lowell.

WANTED—To buy stable manure in large or small quantities. Drop postal to H. W. Foster, R. F. D., No. 1, or telephone.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Lady's gold watch between Salem street and Casto theatre. Reward if left at P. M. Lederman's, 282 Salem street.

LOST—A gold watch between corner Suffolk and Market streets and St. Jean's church, Merrimack street. Return to Bureau of L'Etoile.

LOST—Black, white, and tan Shepherd dog, white on breast, neck, white streak on forehead and tip of tail. Reward at 151 Powell street.

LOST—On the 16th., in Cook, Taylor's or Kennedy's butter store, or between Central and Lawrence streets, a pocketbook containing receipts and trading stamps. If the person finding it will please return it to The Sun Office trouble will be avoided.

LOST—Between Moody and Central streets, brown hand bag containing money, keys and other articles. Return to Sun office. Reward.

TO LET

TO LET—Eight-room house, corner June and 13th street; modern conveniences. W. T. Sheppard, 103 Central street.

TO LET—Two tenements of three and four rooms, $5 per month; key at 173 East Merrimack street; also other tenements in different parts of the city. J. W. Heery, 65 Merrimack street.

TO LET—One 4-room and one 3-room tenement. Inquire at 81 Chestnut street.

TO LET—Small tenements, 631 Broadway; rent low.

TO LET—Blacksmith shop fully equipped ready for business. Apply at 355 Lincoln street.

TO LET—Tenement of 5 rooms with or without barn. 15 Lombard street.

TO LET—A desirable house on South Canton street, all modern improvements, steam heat. Inquire at 912 Middlesex St.

TO LET—5, 6, 7-room tenements in good repair. 164 Lawrence street.

MONEY TO LOAN

PAWNBROKER—Money to loan; money loaned on all valuable articles, clothing; rates reasonable. A. Stein, 313 Middlesex street, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security. Boarding houses, retail merchants and salaried people; easy payments; lowest rates in the city. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters, boarding houses, without security; easy payments; largest business in 42 principal cities. Tolman, room 26, Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leinhas, room 9, Barristers hall.

DEVINE'S
TRUNKS BAGS
88 Merrimack St.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Five fine English bull pups cheap at Ryan's, 121 A street.

FOR SALE—Good, comfortable, second-hand sleigh and pung at 465 Parker street, near Pine.

376 BRIDGE STREET. White Sewing Machine Co.—Ladies before buying try our automatic drop machine; we have several other makes; you are sure to get suited, give us a call.

FOR SALE—Boarding and lodging house of 16 rooms, all furnished. 403 Central street.

FOR SALE—Fine cow hay $14 a ton, at J. B. Sabre's, 597 Merrimack street.

FOR SALE—Cheap, a good double travers runner sleigh. Inquire at 25 Cross street.

FOR SALE—Sleigh in fair condition; will sell cheap if taken immediately. Inquire 2 rear 141 High street, after 6 p. m.

FOR SALE—Fine double sleigh, built to order, nearly new; owner having no further use for it will sell cheap. Inquire at Sun office.

FOR SALE—Oak mantle bed in good condition; cherry bedstead with spring and mattress, swinging cradle. 66 Willow street.

POULTRYMEN—To make hens lay feed Green Cut Bone; fresh Tuesdays and Fridays. Adams Supply Co., 40 Middlesex Street, room 18, Lowell.

FOR SALE—To mend your stove bricks use Eagle Stove Clay. Hardware and stove dealers sell it in three size packages.

FOR SALE—Hulled corn and cruller route, horse, wagon, sleigh and everything pertaining to the business. 9 Loring street, corner Grove.

GERMAN ELECTRIC BELT—Relieves rheumatic pains of back and limbs at once; easily adjusted; price $3. F. E. Saunders, agent, 119 Middlesex street.

FOR SALE—Goldfinches, green and gray linnets; also 200 young canaries; choice of this lot $1.50; also lot of gold fish at three for 25c at Moore's Bird Store, 12 Essex St., Lawrence, Mass.

FOR SALE—Horse and team, value $300, may be had for $175; private family preferred. Apply Sun office.

FOR SALE—A variety store situated in a good business neighborhood, established trade of seven years; an exceptionally fine place for one who dressmakes; poor health of owner reason for selling. For all particulars, terms, etc., inquire of E. R. Donovan, room 1, Swan block, 26 Central street. It may be your opportunity.

RUBBER STAMPS at wholesale prices; 1-in. one line stamps 15c; 1½ in., 20c; 35c ink pads, 25c; 25c ink pads, 15c; 50c linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 15c per line. J. M. Fellows, 158 Merrimack St.

MISCELLANEOUS

THE GREAT BARGAIN PLACE in Lowell for shirts and shirt waists and full suits is the Highland Remnant Store, 30 Pine street; take the Westford street car; a full line of regular 50c mercerized vesting and ottomans for 39c per yd.; also mercerized cheviot, regular price 37c, for 25c to 29c per yd.; regular 37c mercerized Sea Island for 21c per yd.; also Barnaby ginghams, flannelettes and vestings in bundles by the pound; it will pay you to see these bargains before purchasing elsewhere, also boot and shoe repairing done at lowest prices; drop us a postal card and we will call for and repair and deliver the goods without any extra charge.

GOVERNMENT POSITIONS—Prepare now for spring examinations. Call or write 65 Merrimack street, room 10.

THERE WILL be a test seance at Mrs. Coggeshall's, 26 Nichols street, Friday evening, January 29, at 7.45. Admission 15 cents.

DRINK GLORIA; none genuine without Gloria label on bottle; a healthy family beverage; order by postal or telephone. Boyle Bros., agents.

MRS. FLETCHER, 769 Gorham street, trance medium and card reader.

MME. WATSON EMERSON—Clairvoyant and psychological readings at 474 Central street, also instruction in elocution and physical culture.

MRS. ADAMS, clairvoyant and card reader and ladies' employment office. 355 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

MISS UPTON, clairvoyant, card reader, business medium. 81 Merrimack street.

WOOD GIVEN AWAY—2½ miles out. Apply to depot master, Wamesit station. Must be cut and taken away at once.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, cheap, from the Merrimack woolen mills. Corner store, Lakeview avenue and Pleasant street, Navy Yard.

HORSEMEN ATTENTION—We are now prepared to shoe your horses in the most satisfactory and scientific manner, especially horses lamed by incorrect shoeing, at the reasonable low price of 4 new shoes for $1.00; we also keep in stock a line of hand-made shoes turned by L. J. Paulon, at the Fair Grounds shoeing forge, 1054 Gorham street, Lowell, Mass.

PIANO OR ORGAN LESSONS at your home; special pains taken with children or advanced pupils; will accompany any instrument for entertainments; years of experience. Mabel Randall, Chelmsford Centre.

STOVES—New and second-hand, bought, sold and exchanged. Reliable Furniture Co., 185 Middlesex street.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 1128 Bridge street. Telephone.

MUSIC—German zither music furnished at reasonable rates for concerts, dinner parties, church entertainments and home socials. John C. Hansen, Bon Marche studio.

IF YOU WANT your mattresses made over at your home, call at 940 Central St.

BUY YOUR HAT at Delorme's, where you can have it cleaned free of charge for one year. Repairing a specialty. 261 Middlesex street.

SAVE MONEY by buying your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Baker & Co.'s, 160 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; also furniture moving done in a careful manner; always big bargains at our store. McGauvran Bros., Merrimack St., opp. City Hall.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination; used by 200,000 women; price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—Situation as teamster or nearly any kind of work; strictly temperate; reference from late employer. Address Mrs. Montgomery, 238 Fletcher St.

WANTED—By experienced young lady, position as office clerk or cashier. Address A. L., Sun office.

NURSE—Capable, experienced, can be obtained at reasonable terms at 33 Jones avenue, Dracut Centre.

WANTED—A situation as housekeeper by a neat, capable, experienced American, where strict attention will be appreciated. Address J. B. W., care Macine Co., Lowell, Mass.

WANTED—Situation by lady to do light housework; does not object to children. Call 18 Branch street.

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590** A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

A man dropped dead in Boston after running up stairs to board an "L" train. It is a dangerous test of the heart's capabilities.

A Fall River girl has been killed at Madrid while looping the loop in an automobile. What will not people attempt in order to get money?

Mayor Harrison has been exonerated from all blame for the Iroquois horror as we expected. So will be the others accused by the coroner's jury though most of them are guilty.

Hon. George Fred Williams is favored for delegate to the national convention from Lynn. That does not seem like a repudiation of Bryan although some papers so interpret it.

Going into speculation "to get back money wrongly allowed to a friend" is a new phase of the bank official who uses other people's money in experiments on the ticker. But this is the only new thing about the Nashua chapter of it.—Boston Record.

But these men who steal money from banks are so exceedingly nice that their friends and acquaintances cannot brook to call them plain thieves. This Goggin was not superintendent of a Sunday school so far as we know, but he was "awfully nice" just the same, and hence there must be some scapegoat for his disgrace. If he had been a plain, everyday fellow with a sturdy sense of honesty and honor it would be all right to say he robbed the bank.

THE INTER-CONTINENTAL RAILROAD.

The construction of the Panama canal will be the impetus for a new railroad to run from the straits of Magullen in South America to the great lakes in the north. Our government has sent a special railroad commissioner to the southern republics to consult them on the question of encouraging this inter-continental railroad and he reports that such a road can be built without perpetual subsidies. It may be a reality sooner than expected, if the South American states would stop their warring and turn their attention to something likely to promote their own interests.

ROOM FOR ECONOMY.

Now is the time to lay the foundation of economy in the government of our city during the coming year. The committe on appropriations can cut down the estimates as far as possible and then it will be for the city council to compel the heads of departments keep within their allowance.

The committee should use the pruning knife most freely upon the demands of the departments in which extravagance has prevailed during the past year. The two departments in which the extravagance is most flagrant are the school department and the street department.

No part of the appropriation for either department should be used directly or indirectly to influence votes in favor of any candidate.

PROMOTER WRIGHT'S DEATH.

The death of Whitaker Wright, a promoter of get rich quick schemes, who robbed the public of $10,000,000, bears a salutary lesson to all who might contemplate engaging in the business. He was arrested in New York and taken to London, where such schemes are regarded with a degree of horror.

What is remarkable about the outcome of the case is that after boldly embarking in the business Wright did not as boldly take his seven years sentence and go to jail. Wright was a mere novice in the promoters' art compared to some we have in this country, but here they are racy of the soil and their offenses are seldom made the subject of criminal prosecution.

TO ABOLISH THE POLL TAX.

There is a bill before the legislature providing for the abolition of the poll tax. The man who introduced the measure should be looked up. It may be possible the tax collector has a big poll tax bill against him.

We favored the abolition of the poll tax as a prerequisite for voting, although we felt that no man who is unwilling to pay a poll tax has a right to vote.

When a man joins a society that affords any advantages social or otherwise, he usually has to pay a large initiation fee and a dollar a month or upwards. The initiation fee as a citizen of the United States is not large and the annual fee is but two dollars. It is absurd to propose that this fee be abolished.

It is but right that every citizen should contribute something for the support of the government and in compensation for the privileges he enjoys. If any change is to be made the amount should be increased. When men find that they have to contribute to the support of any institution, they will feel more of an interest in it.

Thousands of men come to this country and horde up their money, spending only what they cannot hold, giving but two dollars each for the protection and the glorious freedom they enjoy. To abolish the poll tax would be to cheat the government. It is a wholesome reminder of the obligations which the citizen owes and one which should not be disturbed.

MR. BRYAN'S ATTITUDE.

Mr. Bryan is talked of as if he were unchanged and unchanagable. In regard to the broad principles of democracy that are as eternal as the skies, he has not changed and will not change, but Mr. Bryan is statesman enough to treat conditions as he finds them. Who will deny that the conditions today are very much different from what they were in 1896 or even in 1900? For example, the vast production of gold since 1896 has made a very material change in the currency and although there are still very grave defects in our currency the remedy that was required by the conditions in 1896 is not required now and would not be favored even by Mr. Bryan himself.

He has repeatedly made this statement but his critics still maintain that he insists upon the Chicago or Kansas City platform without modification. Mr. Bryan and other good democrats believe that both those platforms were great declarations of democratic doctrine, the main structure of which will be applicable for all time but as to particular conditions and ever changing phases of public questions, there is no doubt whatever that Mr. Bryan would today modify both instruments to meet the changed conditions.

Those people who expect Mr. Bryan to go before the St. Louis convention and advocate the spirit and letter of the Kansas City platform will find themselves greatly mistaken. We expect that he will still appeal for international bimetallism, but not in the concrete form of free silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

Mr. Bryan has been in Europe of late and he will have new light to shed upon the question of international bimetallism, a subject to which the republican party pledged its attention but which it abandoned without even the semblance of an effort to wards persuasion of the European powers in its favor.

The fact is the republican party is too much in the thrall of the gold kings to favor bimetallism in any form with any sincerity.

SEEN AND HEARD

The sleigh manufacturers are smiling.

Life and coat buttons often hang by slender threads.

Nashua has had and is having more than its share of bank troubles.

It is easier to see through a glass window than it is to see through a glass eye.

Since United States civilization struck China 2000 liquor saloons have been opened there.

In 1800 half the population of the world were under, and half were over, the age of 22 years, 9 months and 18 days.

The Massachusetts Aid society, auxiliary to the Home of Veterans, which has members in Lowell, will meet in Boston Feb. 9 and 10.

There are a few people in this world who hate to get up before breakfast or to work between meals.

In our navy only one flag is ever allowed to float above the national ensign. During Divine service a large white pennant with a blue cross on it flies at the mast head with the stars and stripes under it.

BABY LOBSTERS.

It is well known and a matter of general regret that the catch of lobsters has for many years been becoming steadily less, so that the official reports show nearly 2,000,000 pounds less in 1900 than in 1880. It may not be so well known that the hatcheries of the United States fish commission are diligently trying to increase the supply. From the fish commission at Gloucester 1,500,000 baby lobsters were recently sent to Portland for distribution along the coast. And the hatchery at Woods' Hole is also doing a large business of the same kind.

"BLUE CROSS" BOATS.

An English ship builder advocates the establishment of a fleet of ten large life boats and one store boat to patrol the North Atlantic along the line of ocean travel. He calls it the "International Blue Cross Ocean Life and Salvage Service." The aim is to save ships and crews in distress. They will have a regular time schedule, so that in case of disaster the officers of a ship or steamer may know just when to find a "Blue Cross" boat.

JACK THE PUNCHER.

The police, thus far, have been unable to connect with Jack the puncher. The man with the gray ulster, Scotch cap and felt shoes seems to be a very clever fellow at punching and getting away. It is suggested that he may be training for a bout with some of the big fellows. Despite the seriousness of his attacks the hunt for the puncher has been prolific of comical situations. Officers in citizens clothes have been doing special duty in Belvidere and a Belvidere man who noticed a fellow acting what he called "a bit suspicious" dodging behind trees and one thing or another, called at the police station yesterday and reported to the police that he had seen Jack the puncher. He was asked to describe the man and his description fitted one of the officers to a T. The man was honest enough but it was an officer and not Jack the puncher that he saw flitting from place to place and dodging behind trees.

PLEASANT TIME

AT THE HADLEY STREET FREE BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. S. D. Millin, assisted by Miss Elizabeth Huntley, soloist, and Clayton E. Kimball, pianist, gave "An Evening with American Humorists," at the Hadley Street Free Baptist church last evening, which held the attention of the large and enthusiastic audience from beginning to end. Mr. Millin is well known in this city, and has already won a reputation as a popular reader and impersonator. Miss Huntley, from Santiago, California, formerly of this city, easily won and held the closest attention of her audience. Her pleasing manner and sweet contralto voice show good training and assure for her a bright future if she chooses to cultivate her talent.

Mr. Kimball is the popular organist of the Mt. Vernon Free Baptist church. He presided at the piano with delight to the audience, and credit to himself.

FLAG AT HALF MAST.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Jan. 29.—Another halibut fisherman, the schooner Corrona, arrived yesterday with her flag at half mast for the loss of one of her crew, Almon Nickerson, of this city.

While Nickerson was out in his dory he was knocked overboard by a heavy sea and drowned.

ADAMS

$9.98

Each for a high grade Iron Bedstead. We have four patterns that are 3 feet and 6 inches wide at this price now.

The former mark was $17.00, $18.00, $19.00 and $22.00 each.

ADAMS & CO.

Furniture, Rugs Carpets

174 CENTRAL ST.

Appleton Bank Block

WHITEN BLACKS

Indiana Doctor Says He Has Scheme

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 29—If the theory of Dr. Jacob W. Hill, a well-known practising physician in this city and one of the best known medical men in the state, is correct, the color of the human race can be fixed at the time of birth. To prove his idea, he has arranged to bring the theory before the scientific and medical world with an experiment. The doctor says:

"The solution of the color scheme of the human race lies in the manner of treatment of the skin at the time of birth. If proper steps are then taken there is no reason why a negro baby may not become a most pronounced Caucasian so far as color is concerned.

"Preparations, however, must be made before the birth of the child. The hospital room in which the infant will first see the light of day must be furnished completely in red. The rays of the sun must be excluded and artificial lights must be furnished through red globes. Doctors, nurses and baby must also be attired in red.

"With these preliminary arrangements completed the theory of Dr. Fenson of Norway will be carried out. He found by placing a chameleon under the violet rays that the pigment was not so strong as under the ordinary light rays, which can be explained to the uninitiated that the change in the colors in the chameleon was not of such marked extent under the violet rays as in another light.

"Red or violet light as actinic rays has a subduing effect, the rays of light are not such as would irritude and prevent pigmentation, and so closely guarding the new-born infant from being exposed to other light would prevent it from turning to the color of its forefathers."

Dr. Hill is confident of success. A wealthy manufacturer has agreed to furnish the necessary funds, and all arrangements have been made for securing a negro child. A local hospital has set aside a room for his special purpose.

CHARACTER PARTY

UNDER AUSPICES OF FIRST SPIRITUALIST SOCIETY.

The character party, held under the auspices of the First Spiritualists' society in Pollard's block on Middle street, last evening, was a huge success and the costumes worn by many of the people present were greatly in keeping with the event.

During the evening prizes were awarded to the ladies and gentlemen for the most artistically and craziest designed costumes. The first prize for the prettiest dressed lady was a chatelaine bag and was awarded to Miss Minnie Pihl, who represented Columbia. The second ladies' prize, a jardiniere, was captured by Mrs. George Frasier. Mrs. Fraiser was dressed as an Indian princess. Mrs. Lillian Snow, who represented a butterfly, captured the third prize. Miss Ruth Naylor got a lemonade set. The complimentary prize which was a bucket of Florida water, was given to Mrs. W. S. Davis. Mr. George Fraiser represented an Indian and he got the first gentleman's prize, which was a rug. The second prize was a gold stick pin, and Harry Pihl, who represented Sunny Jim, will wear it in his necktie. The Columbian orchestra furnished music. Refreshments were served under the supervision of Mrs. W. A. Pihl.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

At Odd Fellows' building in Centralville, last night, Rebecca Lodge, No. 139, installed its newly elected officers, prior to which a banquet was served under the direction of Miss Rose Ingalls. Mrs. Arthur M. Greeley, Mrs. Harry Tracy and other members of the lodge. The installation was under the direction of Grand Marshall Mrs. Lilla R. Welton of Lawrence, and was very impressively conducted. The newly elected are as follows: Noble grand, Miss Mary T. Chapley; vice noble grand, A. M. Bachelder; recording secretary, Mrs. T. Fleury; financial secretary, Miss Edith Boucher; treasurer, Miss Annetta Stewart; warden, Miss Edith Tibbitts; outer guard, Charles T. Doty; conductor, Miss Mabel Chaplin; right support of noble grand, Mrs. Florence Flynn; left support of the noble grand, Mrs. Louise Rollins; right support of vice grand, Mrs. Jennie Morse; left support of noble grand, Mrs. Abbie E. Vickery. During the evening the retiring noble grand was presented with a beautiful 132 piece dinner set.

Court Gen. Shields, No. 46, F. of A., held their regular meeting last night in Foresters' hall, at which a committee of 25 was appointed to make arrangements for a smoke talk which will occur on the fourth Thursday in February.

SCHOONER DRIFTING.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Jan. 29.—According to a despatch received here yesterday the schooner A. M. Nicholson, of Bucksport, Me., is drifting about the gulf of St. Lawrence, frozen in an ice field.

The despatch stated that the crew of nine men with the captain made their way across the ice fields to shore, after a very hard journey of ten miles.

PUTNAM & SON CO.

166 Central Street

Don't let false pride keep you from this sale of suits. It is clothing of a character offered by no other store. All are good honest bargains and why should you miss the chance to save five to ten dollars?

For Example, Rogers-Peet's Finest Suits, fancy cheviots and worsteds, that were $30, $28 and $25, in one lot now . . . **$20**

Another Collection of Suits made by Rogers-Peet, includes suits that were $23, $22 and $20—these marked **$15**

Fancy Cheviot Suits of our own make, with coats single or double breasted, several patterns that were first $18 and $15, now priced **$10**

Young Men's Stylish Suits, coats single or double breast, all of this season's make, sizes 32 to 36 breast measure—were $15, but now . . . **$10**

Young Men's Suits **$6.00** including all the scattering lots that sold for $10 and $12.

Young Men's Suits **$3.75** odd suits up to 34 breast measure—will fit boys 14 to 17 years—were first marked $6 and $8.

O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE CO.

Tomorrow Morning at 9 O'Clock

The Doors of Our Store, Corner of

Merrimack and Palmer Streets

Will Swing Open for the Great

Fire, Smoke and Water Sale

ALL GOODS WILL BE SOLD STRICTLY FOR CASH, as the Unusual Conditions which prevail will not permit us to charge anything. We respectfully urge customers to carry parcels when possible, as it will be absolutely impossible for us to promise anything definite regarding delivery. We will have a force of 100 employes at your service, but even then you may suffer some inconvenience. However, we trust our customers will bear it patiently and good naturedly until we can secure greater selling space. Every sale must be absolute, and no goods exchanged or sent on approval.

Open Tomorrow Morning Promptly at 9 O'Clock

O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE CO.

DEVIL OUTWITTED

Story of Fantastic Hold-up

TOLD IN A PAPER 100 YEARS OLD

Paper Was Found in an Old Desk

A few days ago G. H. Sproat, living on Ash street, says the Manchester Union, received from his father, who lives in Vermont, an ancient desk, made by the great-grandfather of the Manchester man. It is a valuable piece of furniture and is highly prized by the family. Upon the arrival of the relic of other days, Mr. Sproat made a search in it and was surprised to find a copy of the Weekly Wanderer, a four-page, four-column sheet printed by Sereno Wright, "a few rods west of the meetinghouse," at Randolph, Orange county, Vt. The paper is of the issue of June 13, 1803.

This century old sheet, filled with interesting reading, fell into the hands of a Union reporter and was recognized at once as being quite different from many old papers. There is the style which characterized the publications of 100 years ago, there is the theological atmosphere, the subordination of live news to the discussion of ethics that one frequently finds in the old papers, but on the other hand there seems to be more substance to the matter printed. It had evidently been a "good week" in the Wanderer office and Mr. Wright could look with pride on a paper that had a deal of world news packed into a very small compass.

There is too much in the old paper for a single descriptive account, but a part of it is "covered" in the present account and other articles will deal with the rest of the paper.

The first page leader in this issue is not the most startling news item of the week but a two-column dissertation on the subject of capital punishment in which a writer whose nom de plume is Beccaria maintains that man has no right to take the life of his fellow man. Beccaria goes boldly into the Biblical argument and interprets "Whoso shedeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed," not as a precept but as a prediction; then, admitting that his view is not the one generally accepted, he masses half a column of quotations to prove that if this is a precept it was a peculiarly Jewish one, applying to the chosen people only.

The following story from the Boston Gazette, under the heading, "The Devil Outwitted, or a New Attempt at Swindling," appears and is given here in full as a fair sample of the method of treatment of a matter of news a century ago:

"The following very singular transaction actually occurred in a village not many miles distant from Boston. A single gentleman, who had a considerable quantity of specie, and who had been in the habit of accommodating his neighbors with loans of money, a few days since, had received a payment to the amount of $500, and late in the evening was returning home, when he was accosted by a being whose external habiliments, it seems, suggested to his imagination the exact similitude of the Devil, and who boldly demanded of him $1000. Terrified at this abrupt and fearful interview, the gentleman told him that he had not the sum by him. The strange personage replied that he knew he had it and that he must let him have it immediately. The gentleman then told him that he had $900 by him, but that if he would give him time he would procure the remainder of the sum required. The Devil accordingly took his word and appointed the next evening at the hour of 10 to meet him at his own house, and threatened that unless he then fulfilled his promise he would carry him off, at the same time enjoining profound secrecy as to this and the future interview. Not having the remainder of the money on hand, the gentleman was obliged to borrow the deficiency. The man to whom he applied, knowing the circumstances, expressed his surprise at the request, particularly as it seemed to be of a most urgent nature, and as the gentleman appeared extremely agitated and anxious. He accordingly desired to know the reason of the application. The gentleman replied it was of the utmost consequence and that he should be ruined forever unless he could procure it. His friend then told him that he had the sum he wanted, but that he could accommodate him on no other condition but that of knowing the use to which he would apply it. In this dilemma he wisely concluded of two evils to choose the lesser, supposing that if the essential part of his engagement was punctually complied with the Devil would be civil enough to absolve him from the promise of secrecy. He accordingly, in a very serious manner, disclosed the whole transaction of the preceding evening. His friend then gave him the money, with permission, however, to be present at this singular interview. He (the friend) accordingly secreted himself, with a loaded pistol, in a little closet in the room, and at the hour appointed the chief of the pandemonium punctually appeared to receive his money. At this instant the man in the closet stepped out and presenting a pistol to his breast, demanded who he was and threatening to fire unless he immediately divested himself of his state robes of darkness. Confounded at this unexpected recounter, the poor Devil lost all supernatural agency; he was compelled to lay aside his crown or horns and cloven foot and stood exposed a near neighbor of both parties, detected in this singular scheme of plunder. It seems that this man, knowing the day before that his neighbor was to receive a large sum of money, conceived this plan to impose on his superstition and credulity and rob him of $1000. In this instance the Devil was completely outwitted and overlooking the $500, which he might probably in this manner have secured, to obtain $1000, he lost all, and is now accommodated with lodgings in a pandemonium little more agreeable than that, where it is said the character which he meant to personify resides."

This entire account, as will be observed, is given in a single paragraph and is a typical news story of its time.

The remainder of the first page of the Wanderer and nearly a column of the second is devoted to a detailed account of a duel in England between a colonel in the army and a captain in the navy, in which one was killed and the other wounded. The cause of this sanguine affair was a dog fight between canines owned by the officers, in which one of the latter interfered. This account, published on June 18, was taken from "a London paper," of April 8, and is a vivid description of the entire proceeding.

POLO NEWS

"Bob" Hart, rusher of the Muncie team, is travelling so fast now that it is necessary for two men to keep tabs on him. The other night when Muncie was pitted against Indianapolis Murtaugh and Coggeshall were appointed as a committee of two to watch out for the ex-Lowell player, but despite this inconvenience Hart managed to get his share of the goals.

The Ft. Wayne team, as a whole, has the best record in the Central league, both in number of rushes and goals, and is next to Lafayette in its small number of fouls. Terre Haute is only two goals behind Ft. Wayne. Sutherland, of Danville, has been the busiest goal tender in the league, with Harper, of Terre Haute, close behind.

Harper is the Lowell boy who went west and has made good.

The man who invented the jumping-jack must have seen some of Tommy Holderness' antics. It's worth anybody's "two bits" to see the star halfback cover fifty feet of a polo floor with a pair of legs that seem to be made of elastic flesh and bone. Lyons is a good one, Burney Doherty, too, but give us the boy with the cool head and true eye that Tommy alone possesses.—Muncie Star.

In Anderson the other night Joe Fox's Marions defeated the brewery workers by a score of 4 to 3, with Fox playing goal.

HON. SAMUEL ROADS

WELL KNOWN MARBLEHEAD MAN IS DEAD.

MARBLEHEAD, Jan. 29.—Hon. Samuel Roads, Jr., died at his home on Elm street at 7 o'clock last evening from a complication of diseases. Mr. Roads has been in failing health for more than a year, suffering from a combination of heart and stomach troubles. A short time ago symptoms of brights disease were noticed. This ailment developed very rapidly and is assigned as the immediate cause of his death.

He was not in robust health when he ran for congress against Capt. Gardner in 1902, and the strain of the campaign is thought to have hastened his death.

He left an aged mother, one brother, John L. Roads, and a sister, Mrs. William A. Laskey.

The news of Mr. Roads' death was received with profound regret by the citizens of the town, for no person here could be more of a loss to the town. Mr. Roads always took a great interest in Marblehead, where he was born, and he made its welfare part of his life study. His death will be mourned by the entire community and also by a host of friends out of town.

INSPECTION DAY

HIGH SCHOOL REGIMENT REVIEWED BY GEN. GRAHAM.

The High School regiment was inspected yesterday at the annex drill shed. General J. D. Graham (retired) Mayor Charles E. Howe, Captain Colby T. Kittredge and William W. Duncan, chairman of the school board, were present.

The regiment was drawn up in battalion front; then the companies passed in review before the party. The various regimental movements were executed, including the hollow squares by battalions, the drill ending with the dress parade.

Later the visitors made a short visit to the High school hall, where the girls' battalions were drilling under command of Major Eleanor Abbott.

General Graham expressed himself as delighted with the exhibitions given by both the regiments.

Everybody goes to Prescott hall this evening.

CYCLE NEWS

The contingent of racing men from the United States—Floyd MacFarland, Iver Lawson and Hardy Downing—have created quite a sensation in Melbourne, Australia, by their splendid racing. That of MacFarland, as a handicap rider, and which we can best appreciate, is being especially well praised. They have competed in Sydney and Melbourne with success, and have established themselves as favorites with the sportgoing public.

Since the appearance in Melbourne of "Major" Taylor, MacFarland and company, the Australians have been made to look almost second raters, the visitors outpacing them invariably. As a matter of fact, there are several Australians, perhaps eight or ten, who are much on a par, no one rider standing out above the other. They appear to reach a certain degree of perfection and then stop. This is due to the style and class of racing there, which is principally handicaps. The major portion of the prize money, amounting to, say, $30,000 annually (in Victoria), is devoted to handicap events, the Austral being the richest prize; last year as in 1902, there have been $2,750 allotted for prizes, of which $2,250 is for the first place. Promoters of race meetings there have the idea that it is the big prize that will draw the gate, and perhaps they were correct at one period, but only up to a certain point.

Big prizes, particularly in handicaps, have done more than induce the public to attend, for instead of benefiting the sport as a sport—producing true racing—they have tended to demoralize the men, who do their utmost, even to waiting for years, to get out onto a long mark, not only that that may make more certain of winning it, but by backing themselves weeks, perhaps months, before and secure long odds, thus receiving practically a double prize—if they win. These tactics are much too common; it is the result of giving such a big prize for a handicap.

The biggest prize given for a scratch competitor is $800. The contest for this is rather a series of heats and finals of one, two and three miles, with a final of five miles for those riders who have qualified (by points) in the shorter distances. Thus the actual winner is required to race 17 miles, and the utmost he can net (if he wins the finals of the one, two and three miles) is $675. A contest of this description has frequently resulted in a number of men pooling the stakes, one being taken in each heat and final to win, and so get the whole clique into the grand final.

The quality and style of the American's racing are very different from those of the local men. McFarland and Lawson have raced in good company, and the system of racing has been such, as to develop all their speed capabilities. It has been to their advantage to become as proficient as possible; they have no motive for doing otherwise. Whether they will be successful in the Austral remains to be seen. They will, of course, have to combat combinations of the Australian men. There is one potent factor which has worked against the Australians even if they desired to become world's champions. In Victoria, where by far the bulk of the Australian racing is done, there is not an up-to-date track, Melbourne being woefully deficient in this respect. They cannot get 1.40 miles on a track that will carry only 1.50 miles. Moreover, the surface is rough. A fast track will make fast men faster.

You can save money on every purchase of a hat or bonnet at Rose Jordan Hartford's, corner John and Lee streets.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT THE CASTO.

The current bill at the Casto is one that will amuse all the children tomorrow, for Saturday afternoon is the time selected by the school children of the city to attend the theatre. Robert Henry Hodge and company in "A Bachelor's Troubles" head the program, and the adventures of the woman-hating old "buck" are most amusing. Then there is Baker and Lyn in the funny comedy "The Electric Boy;" Gilroy, Haynes and Montgomery in the singing comedy "Pink Eye Pete" and many others equally as clever. Green trading stamps are given free with orchestra tickets.

Rubber Sale

Men's $3.00 Rubber Boots	$2.25
Men's $2.50 4-buckle Arctics	$1.98
Men's $1.50 Buckle Arctics	98c
Men's 75c Rubbers	49c
Boys' 60c Rubbers	42c
Ladies' $1.00 Overshoes, small sizes	19c
Ladies' 50c Storm Rubbers	39c
Misses' 49c Storm Rubbers	25c
75 pairs of Children's 40c Rubbers, sizes 10 and 11	24c

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Misses' Button Overshoes, best grade, were $1.50, now	98c
Child's Button Overshoes, best grade, were $1.25, now	89c
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While we have not "Any Rags, Any Bones, Any Bottles Today"—still—"It's the Same Old Story in the Same Old Way"—but with a difference.

To the Public — Let us explain. It is quite generally known that we have had a successful sale—we may say an unusual one. We have turned a large amount of goods since the opening of the Parthenais Bros.' Assignee Sale. We have advertised liberally and the buying public came to us in the face of some of the worst weather in years. Our two opening days were record breakers. But that is history and "the mill will never grind with the water that has passed."—Hence we hasten to say, big as were our opening days—we are going to open up a sale TODAY and Evening that will excel it--that will be the talk of the town. If the "No School" bell rings on Friday morning--it means US and means the sale is on and that we are beating even the weather. And this is what we are going to do and how we are going to do it.

FIRST--We are going to undertake to sell or **give away** everything in the store from the broom and the door-mat to the finest suit of clothes in the store, including roll top desk, show cases, tables, in a word everything, stock and fixtures entire.

SECOND--We shall conduct this Great Bankrupt Clearance and Free Gift Sale as follows: We shall mass together **Three Different Lots of Free Gifts** enclosed in uniform boxes without marks of any kind making it impossible for anyone to tell what a box contains.

These same boxes will contain gifts worth from **25c to $10.00.**

LOT 1 will contain gifts of value from **25c to $1.00** and will be given with every purchase amounting to from **$1.00 to $3.00.**

LOT 2 will contain presents worth from **$1.50 to $3.00** and will be given with purchases of from **$3.50 to $8.00.**

LOT 3 will contain presents worth from **$3 to $10.00** and will be given with purchases of from **$8.50 to $20.00.**

Everything will be as advertised and the value of the presents will be unquestionable.

We have put a deal of study into this proposition. It is up to us to sell out every piece and article in Parthenais Bros.' store and if we don't do it--call us dead ones. The stock has got to go and it's got to go in **Ten Days.** The articles that we shall give away free include **Suits, Coats, Pants, Vests, Hats, Caps, Shirts, Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Etc., Etc.,** all at values as above, everything but money--that we keep for that's what we need--what we have got to get. If we didn't need it and need it bad we should not be forced to make this extraordinary offer--a proposition never matched in the business history of Lowell.

CHAS. L. KNAPP
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SKETCHES AT THE BASKETBALL GAME LAST NIGHT.

THE GREATEST EVER

Lowell Won Fast Game From Natick Last Night

With everything against them Lowell's basketball players went in last night and won a game from Natick that seemed lost from the start.

You have read about "the greatest game ever" and "the most sensational of the season," etc., but such a game never occurred until last night. For almost two hours a crowd numbering 1800 people yelled, cheered and sang and then went away satisfied that for genuine sport, merriment and a good time they never invested money that was better spent. It was such a game that brings out all that is good in basketball. The men who fought during those strenuous moments had to use their brains to follow the work of their opponents. It was what the experts would call the most scientific contest of basketball ever seen anywhere and not until the latter part of the last period was it won.

ENTHUSIASM RAN HIGH.

For rooters you never saw the like of it. The Natick team came up on a special train accompanied by 200 of their good, loyal friends and a brass band. That they came is a matter for Manager Gray to congratulate himself on, for they taught the Lowell fans a lesson that was accepted last night, and if they only continue the progress they made last night Lowell will lose few games from now until the close of the season. The visiting rooters shouted themselves hoarse for the Natick team and the Lowell people took up the cue and yelled as they never did before.

No Lowell team ever received the encouragement that Capt. Abbott's team got last night. Once "Scotchy" started his favorite "We yell: We yell! Lowell! Lowell! L-o-w-e-l-l!" the cheering for the home team never stopped. Jimmy Gray, who was up in the gallery with some of the Boston rooters, was more than pleased and said it was worth more than a little to him to hear his team encouraged in that way. "After all," he said, "when it comes right down to an issue the Lowell people stand by you." "Peck" Donnelly was one of the loudest shouters for the Lowell men. After the second period he went to the Lowells' dressing room and gave the home team some good advice. "The Natick people are all in," he said, "and if you keep them well covered you will win." It was good coaching and the local lads followed his advice.

JIM REDMOND PLEASED.

When the score was tied at the close of the second period Jimmy Redmond, the former manager of the Burke team and one of the best posted men on basketball that could be run across, said that he never saw such a game. "Talk about playing," he said, "why that Lowell bunch never was forced to such a pace. Natick is firing now, and if the Lowell boys hold out they will win. But for basketball I never saw teams fight for victory the way these fellows are battling. Talk about Burke-P. A. C. games, they were exciting all right, but the men were never forced the way they are tonight."

And so it was all around the hall.

The game itself brought all there is in basketball. Team work was the great feature and basket throwing was more accurate than in any other contest this season. Natick started off like a winner and indeed more than one-half of the people who went to the hall expected that the visitors would win. But right here is where they erred in judgment. At the close of the first period they had a lead of nine points and even Manager Gray and Jerry Murphy, the men who made the band play "Tessie," could see only defeat. But the men who wore the Lowell colors determined to make a last stand and it was a noble one. They fought an uphill game that few teams would tackle, and at the close of the second period the score was a tie at 19 each. Even Tom Ed Smith, who always roots his best for the Lowell team, could not believe his eyes when he saw the big figures put up on the score board. "Say," said Tom Ed, "those fellows have their bad games as well as the others, but just the same when it comes to a throw down Gray's men have them all beaten." Then Tom settled down for the third period, which brought victory. But before the playing began in this period the band played "Tessie" and the girls from Natick sang a song that told about Natick being a winner, and then when the Lowell men appeared on the playing surface the crowd broke into wild cheering. During this period the home team scored 16 points, while the best the visitors could do was to pile up four points.

The Natick rooters urged their team to go in and win, but the lead was too great and while the loyal rooters waved the green and red flags they took from the cabin of the special train that brought them here, the Lowell boys went in and piled up the baskets. Cairns never played such a game as he did last night and his eye for the basket was the correct thing. Four times he landed the sphere safely, while Abbott, the hard working captain, led all with five baskets to his credit, two of the most difficult ones. Allard, too, was in championship form and he tossed four goals. Bill Holleron came next with two and his team work was superb. While Jack O'Neill is credited with only a single basket, it is to his credit that he scored that one at the critical part of the game. More than that Jack's passing was a revelation to his followers of the game and he took chances that others would refuse. It only goes to show what the writer has said many times that O'Neill is still in the game and not a back number by any means. Natick played a fine game, but they were gone after the first period because they started out to pile up a big score and simply wore themselves out. Had they played a steady game and reserved their strength the result would have been closer.

When the game ended Joe Lynch said to the writer: "When we come here again we'll trim your team good and hard. The boys outplayed themselves tonight, that's all. We'll bring the rooters again and they will shout over a victory, not a defeat."

The lineup and summary:

LOWELL.	NATICK.
Allard rf	rb Healy
Abbott rf	lb Hayes
Cairns c	c Falle
O'Neill lb	rf Punch
Holleron rb	lf Martens (Sheridan)

FIRST PERIOD.

Goal, Natick, Hayes. 2—0
Goal, Natick, Punch. 4—0
Goal, Natick, Falle. 6—0
Goal, Lowell, Abbott. 6—2
Goal, Natick, Healy. 8—2
Goal, Lowell, Cairns. 8—4
Goal, Natick, Martens. 10—4
Goal, Lowell, Abbott. 10—6
Third foul, Lowell, Cairns. 11—6
Goal, Natick, Hayes. 13—6
Goal, Natick, Martens. 15—6

SECOND PERIOD.

Third foul, Lowell, Abbott. 16—6
Goal, Lowell, Allard. 16—8
Goal, Lowell, O'Neill. 16—10
Goal, Lowell, Abbott. 16—12
Goal, Lowell, Holleron. 16—14
Third foul, Natick, Falle. 16—15
Goal, Lowell, Cairns. 16—17
Third foul, Lowell, Cairns. 17—17
Goal, Lowell, Abbott. 17—19
Goal, Natick, Martens. 19—19

THIRD PERIOD.

Third foul, Natick, Punch. 19—20
Goal, Natick, Punch. 21—20
Goal, Lowell, Abbott. 21—22
Goal, Lowell, Allard. 21—24
Third foul, Lowell, Holleron. 22—24
Goal, Lowell, Allard. 22—26
Third foul, Lowell, Abbott. 23—26
Third foul, Natick, Falle. 23—27
Goal, Lowell, Cairns. 23—29
Goal, Lowell, Holleron. 23—31
Goal, Lowell, Cairns. 23—33
Goal, Lowell, Allard. 23—35

Score, Lowell 35, Natick 23. Goals from the floor, Hayes 2, Punch 2, Falle 1, Abbott 5, Healy 1, Cairns 4, Martens 3, Allard 4, O'Neill 1, Holleron 2. Fouls committed, Abbott 3, Cairns 6, Falle 4, Allard 2, O'Neill 5, Hayes 5, Punch 1, Holleron 1. Points on fouls, Lowell 3, Natick 5. Referee, William Marley of Lowell. Timekeepers, Bucky Halleran for Lowell and Hugh Healy for Natick. Attendance, 1800.

LAWRENCE 21, HAVERHILL 9.

LAWRENCE, Jan. 29.—The local basketball team easily defeated Haverhill here last night, 21 to 9. Horan was the only visitor who was able to throw a basket.

LAWRENCE.	HAVERHILL.
Tighue rf	lb Lew
Sykes lf	rb Kelliher
Kane c	c Horan
Herron rb	lf Doyle
Pendergast lb	rf Harrington

Score—Lawrence 21, Haverhill 9. Baskets from the floor—Kane 5, Tighe 2, Pendergast, Sykes, Horan 2, Fouls—Herron 3, Pendergast 8, Kane, Sykes, Tighue 2, Harrington 4, Doyle 3, Kelliher 3, Lew. Points on fouls—Lawrence 7, Haverhill 5. Referee—Crittenden. Timer—Ball. Time—15-minute periods. Attendance—800.

LOWELL TEAM LOST.

The Winchester Y. M. C. A. basketball team last night defeated the Lowell Y. M. C. A., 20 to 16, at Winchester. The home team found the visitors a tough proposition, but superior team work landed them the match. Winchester has won 11 out of 15 games played.

WINCHESTER.	LOWELL.
Smith lf	lf Johnson
Crawford rf	rf Pearson (Leeds)
Sharon c	c Wilson
Harrold lb	lb Gray
Mitton rb	rb Myrick

Score—Winchester Y. M. C. A. 20, Lowell Y. M. C. A. 16. Goals from floor—Smith 3, Crawford, Sharon 2, Harrold 2, Mitton, Pearson 3, Wilson 2, Myrick. Goals on fouls—Crawford, Harrold, Pearson 3, Myrick. Fouls called—Winchester Y. M. C. A. 7, Lowell Y. M. C. A. 15. Fouls missed—Winchester Y. M. C. A. 13, Lowell Y. M. C. A. 9.

ANNUAL SUPPER

OF LADIES' NIGHT AT UNITARIAN CHURCH.

The annual supper of the male members of the First Unitarian church was held last night, but the occasion was really a ladies' night, for the lady friends of the members were present in large numbers and enjoyed the evening. G. F. Hamer, the church organist, gave a delightful organ recital from 6 till 6.30 o'clock.

At the close of the concert program the audience adjourned to the vestry, where a most sumptuous banquet was served, covers being laid for 150. After the banquet Rev. C. T. Billings introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. S. M. Crothers, D. D., of Cambridge, whose theme was "The Honest Miner of the Far West." The address was quite humorous and interesting.

During the evening Mrs. James Greig sang charmingly "I Once Had a Sweet Little Doll," "The Devoted Apple," and for an encore she responded with "Loch Lomond."

A. M. Bowen of Lawrence sang "Because of Thee," and W. T. Reid contributed two numbers to the program, "Kavanaugh," and when recalled he gave "The Tragic Tale."

"Auld Lang Syne" was sung by the audience and parting grace was said.

CHINAMAN DEAD

Strange Crime Committed at Hanover Four Corners

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—One of the most brutal murders in southeastern Massachusetts in recent years was committed in the Masonic building at Hanover Four Corners some time in the noon hour yesterday, when Quong Sing, who had a laundry in the building, was throttled by a stranger and his head forced into a tub full of water and a large box filled with soap was placed on his head, holding it firmly below the surface and suffocating the unfortunate victim.

The murder and two robberies of houses in the immediate neighborhood complete the record for one day in that town.

Late yesterday afternoon Cyrus Ryan who has been employed at the Clapp rubber works, near the Four Corners was arrested as he stepped from a train in the south terminal, accompanied by the girl he was coming here to marry. He was locked up in the Tombs over night and will be arraigned in court at Abington today.

Quong Sing had run the laundry in the Masonic block on the side street leading from Broadway, for the last two years. He had three rooms on the first floor. He was the only Chinaman that had ever resided in the town and had built up a good business.

Like most Chinese laundrymen, he did his ironing in the front store, and he was at work there in the forenoon.

In the next room of the building is a barber shop kept by Bradford Snell, and beyond this is the market of W. D. Paxton.

In the forenoon both Mr. Snell and Mr. Paxton had called at the laundry to get water from the pump in the rear room, and being on good terms with John, as they called him, conversed considerably with him.

About 9 a. m. a stranger was seen to enter the laundry and was seen conversing with the Chinaman by people passing. Mr. Paxton saw the man when he called to get a bucket of water and he was also seen by Snell. When Snell called in there the stranger spoke to him and bade him "Good morning."

Mr. Paxton left the market at 11.55 to go to his dinner. He told his wife that there was a strange man hanging around the Chinese laundry and he did not like the looks of him. He hurried his dinner and went directly back to the market.

Meantime, Mr. Snell had also closed his barber shop and gone to lunch. With the departure of both these men there was no one left in the building but the Chinaman and the stranger. The stranger was standing in the store watching Quong Sing, who was ironing a shirt.

When Mr. Paxton returned from lunch he saw the door of the laundry slightly ajar. He went into the barber shop and asked Snell where John was. Snell replied that he had not seen him, and suggested that perhaps he had gone out for a few minutes. Mr. Paxton told Snell that they had better investigate. The men entered the laundry and passed into a rear room, which was used as a kitchen and wash room by Quong Sing.

This room looked as though there had been a hurricane. The washboiler and washing materials had been scattered all over the floor, and leading from the sink to a door to the drying room at the right was a trail of water.

Passing into the drying room, which is only about 10x4 feet, the investigators found, in the middle of the floor, a tub filled with water and the body of Quong Sing hanging out of it. His head was submerged in the water, and a heavy box filled with soap wedged it in firmly. One of his hands was raised as if warding off a blow.

One of the men seized the body and found that it was still warm. The box was removed, and Dr. Grovenstein and Dr. McMillan, who reside nearby, were summoned. Efforts were made to resuscitate the unfortunate man, but without success.

Mr. Snell then ran to the telephone office near the laundry and called up Chief Watts in Boston, notifying him of the murder, and also gave him a complete description of the stranger whom he had seen hanging around the laundry during the forenoon. Chief Watts said that he would put officers on the case at once, and Snell then notified Selectman Eben C. Waterman. The town police and Selectman Edward A. Bowker of Centre Hanover were notified to keep a sharp watch for the missing man.

THE MURDERER ARRESTED.

It was thought by the authorities that the stranger seen around the laundry would leave town by the noon train and officers were sent to watch it, but he did not appear. The next train for Boston left Hanover at 2.15 and at Curtis Crossing a strange man about 25 years of age and wearing a long black overcoat and a slouch hat got on the train. He had a zinc trunk with him and also a small satchel. There is no baggage master at Curtis Crossing, and Brakeman William Sylvester took charge of the trunk, and when the train arrived at South Hanover a baggage check was secured and was handed to the man.

The trainman had no orders to look out for anybody, and did not for a moment suspect that the man who boarded the train at Curtis Crossing was the one that the police were in search of.

In the meantime a telegraphic description of the man had been sent to all the stations between Hanover and Boston, with orders to arrest him on sight.

At Braintree two officers boarded the train, and before they arrived in Boston the suspected man had been placed under arrest.

As soon as the train arrived in Boston they called up Hanover and W. F. Bates, one of the leading business men of the place, left on the first train for Boston. Later in the afternoon W. D. Saxton, Bradford Snell, William E. Hanley and Stanley Baker left for the city, and on their arrival identified the man as the one they had seen in the laundry during the forenoon.

When searched the revolver which Quong Sing had kept in the laundry was found. It was also believed that Quong Sing had lost his watch, but it was not found upon Ryan. When arrested there was a girl with Ryan, who it is said that he was to marry, and the Boston officers asked her to give them the watch. She reached into her dress and produced a watch which she claims that Ryan had given her. This watch could not be identified last night by the Hanover men.

Glenmore club dance at Prescott hall this evening. Hibbard's orchestra.

MUSICAL NIGHT

FINE PROGRAM AT THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

A fine musical and literary entertainment was held at the First Congregational church last evening by the American orchestra, assisted by Mrs. Jean W. Sherburne, Miss Mae Folger Stevens, Mr. David Martin and Rev. J. A. McKnight. Solon W. Stevens was the accompanist of the evening.

The program was as follows:

Grand March from "Folkunger" Kreichmer
American orchestra
A Day at Niagara .....Mark Twain
J. A. McKnight.
Violin solo
Master Hans Borjes.
The Guardian Angel .....Gounod
Mr. David Martin.
Suite Romantique, A Day in Venice.. ..... Neven
a. Dawn. b. Gondoliers. c. Venetian Love Song. d. Good Night.
American orchestra.
Piano, a. Nocturn in ab ....MacDowell
b. Russian Dance ..... Chopin
Mae F. Stevens.
Sap. solo, I Love You .....Sobeski
Mrs. Jean W. Sherburne.
Dotlonghandled Dipper .... Charles Follen Adams
J. A. McKnight.
Cornet solo
Mr. Bryant.
Jamie Butler's Mistake
J. A. McKnight.
The Burgomaster .....Leuders
American orchestra.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

OF HIGH STREET CHURCH MET LAST EVENING.

The prudential committee of the High street church and society met last evening and organized for the year with the election of George A. Marden as chairman and S. F. Whipple, secretary. It was voted to consolidate the three committees on heating and lighting, care of grounds and repairs into one committee in care of church property. This committee consists of Messrs. Nelson, Bailey and Barnes.

It was voted to fix the janitor's pay at $200 per year, his duties to be defined by the committee on church property. Messrs. Bacheller and Robertson were appointed a committee on pulpit supply and Messrs. Marden and Whidden on church subscriptions.

The committee adopted an address to the people sent out as a "feeler" before laying out plans for the year.

MATRIMONIAL

A pretty wedding took place Wednesday at the home of Mr. James Manley, Tewksbury, when their daughter, Katherine Irene, was united in marriage to John H. Kelley, the well-known operator for the Boston & Maine railroad. Mary Manley, the bride's sister, was bridesmaid and the groom's brother, Mr. Anthony G. Kelley, was best man. The bride was beautifully gowned in white china silk, while the bridesmaid wore pale blue silk. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley after a short honeymoon to Troy, N. Y., will reside at East Tewksbury, where Mr. Kelley has built a nice cottage. Mr. Kelley is well known as a baseball player, being captain of the Tewksbury high school team.

LOWELL MEN ATTENDED.

At the 15th annual meeting of the Massachusetts Co-operative Bank league, held in Boston yesterday, the Lowell people who attended were A. B. Woodworth, president of the Lowell Co-operative bank; Jesse Shepard, president of the Middlesex Co-operative bank; William D. Brown, secretary and treasurer of the Lowell and Middlesex banks, and George H. Taylor, director of the Lowell bank.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

The installation of officers of Court St. Paul, Catholic Order of Foresters, was held last evening in Vincent hall. Deputy High Chief Ranger Dr. A. G. Payette was the installing officer and he was assisted by Past Chief Ranger Azarie Thibault of Court St. Antoine and Arthur Lavoie. At the regular business meeting there were two initiations and ten candidates for admission were balloted upon and deemed advisable. There were also two new applications.

The following were the officers installed: Chief ranger, George Labrie; sub-chief ranger, Leude Toursignant; past chief ranger, Cleophas D'Anjou; financial secretary, Adelard Sylvester; treasurer, Edmund Lambert; trustees for one year, Alphonse Gagnon, Elzear Turcotte, Joseph Ducharme; first conductor, Arthur Mirault; second conductor, Napoleon Rivet; first sentinel, Laurent Richard; second sentinel, Noel Gilbert.

There is no time like the present to get bargains in Overcoats at the

Merrimack

We are making a determined effort to clean up the last hundred coats before stock taking next Monday, and have cut the prices 1-4 to 1-2 below regular

ARE YOU INTERESTED?
ACT TODAY . . . . . .

We've made prices on high-grade overcoats that will attract intending buyers to the Merrimack.

Practically the entire overcoat stock has been put into three price-ranges as follows:

At $7.50

The Friezes, Kerseys and Meltons in black, blue and oxford gray—every garment all wool and well made—that were $10 and $12.

At $11.50

The "Eff-Eff" closed lots—coats that sell regularly at $18, $20 and $22—also the regular Shuman overcoats that were $15—in long, medium and short lengths.

At $15.00

The choice, hand-finished coats—including the staple black Kerseys that are seldom reduced—regular lengths and long coats—regularly priced at $20, $22, $23 and $25.

Also a Special Gathering of Boys' Overcoats

At $3.75

Russian overcoats and reefers for little fellows, top coats and long belt overcoats for the bigger boys—the prices were $5 and $6—choose today

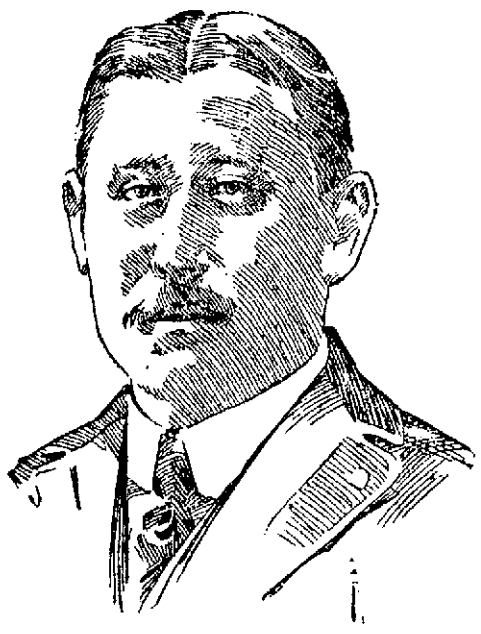
At $3.75

The Merrimack CLOTHING COMPANY

Across from City Hall

DR. DONLAN'S REPORT

To Overseers Contains Important Recommendations



DR. P. E. SULLIVAN, AMBULANCE PHYSICIAN.

Overseers of Poor Complete Minor Elections—Dr. John F. Boyle Succeeds Dr. Frye as District Physician—One Change Among Ambulance Drivers

The overseers of the poor met at the city hospital yesterday and completed the election of minor officials.

Only two changes were made, Dr. John Boyle succeeding Dr. Frye as district physician and Michael F. McDermott succeeding John Cuff as ambulance driver.

Supt. Donlan submitted an interesting annual report reviewing the year's work and making several important recommendations. The report calls for better fire protection, better care of tramps with particular regard to their cleanliness as a safeguard against infection, the better care of the fast increasing number of cases of tuberculosis among inmates, and a resident registered pharmacist.

Chairman Conley called to order at 3.45 o'clock and all were present. The secretary read the roll call.

Mr. McDermott for the committee on outdoor relief reported progress in the matter of changing the wood yard, it being agreed to defer this matter until later.

Overseer Dunn moved that the election of district physicians be held. They were taken by districts and elected as follows: District one, Dr. T. J. Halloran; district two, Dr. A. J. Halpin; district three, Dr. John Boyle; district four, Dr. Omer B. Porter; district five; Dr. James E. Leary; district six, Dr. Pierre Brunelle.

Overseer McCoy moved the election of an ambulance surgeon and Dr. P. E. Sullivan received the entire nine votes.

On motion of Mr. McCoy a ballot was taken for dispensary clerk and Edwin Mason, the present incumbent, received eight, Overseer Dunn voting for Mr. Carroll.

The election was then ordered for four ambulance drivers, and they were elected as follows: Michael F. McDermott had seven votes, Mr. McCoy voting for John Cuff and Mr. Tilton for W. H. Yeoman, and Mr. McDermott was declared elected. James Gagahan received eight votes, Mr. Tilton voting for George Cady, and was declared elected. James McGlynn received five votes against four for Alfred Morrissette and was declared elected on a straight party vote, and the fourth driver, George B. McKenna, received the entire nine votes.

The vote for district physicians in detail was as follows: District one, Dr. T. J. Halloran, six votes, Messrs. McCoy and Robert voting for Dr. Caisse and Mr. Tilton for Dr. Varnum.

District two, Dr. Halpin received four democratic votes and that of Mr. McCoy. Messrs. Eastman and Robert voted for Dr. Varnum, Mr. Foye voting for Dr. Bertrand and Mr. Tilton for Dr. Caisse.

District three, Dr. Boyle received the five democratic votes, Messrs. Eastman and Robert voted for Dr. Caisse and Messrs. McCoy and Tilton for Dr. Frye.

District four, Dr. Porter received the five democratic votes and those of Messrs. McCoy and Tilton. Mr. Eastman voted for Dr. Frye and Mr. Robert for Dr. Caisse.

District five, Dr. Leary received the five democratic votes. Messrs. Eastman and Robert voted for Dr. Caisse, Mr. McCoy for Dr. Varnum and Mr. Tilton for Dr. McIntosh.

District six, Dr. Pierre Brunelle received eight votes and Mr. Eastman voted for Dr. L. R. J. Varnum.

Supt. Donlan presented his monthly report as follows: Whole number of inmates, 380; deaths, 7; births, 1; tramps, 228.

Dr. Donlan then read his annual report, the full text of which will be found below. When he had finished the secretary was asked to look into the matter referred to in the superintendent's report in regard to consumptives.

Chairman Conley announced his committees as follows:

Accounts—Conley, McCoy and Dunn.

Care and repair of buildings—McDermott, Dunn and Tilton.

Dispensary—Foye, McCoy and Duff.

Out-door relief—McDermott, Foye and McCoy.

Wood yard—Dunn, Conley and Robert.

Agriculture, cattle and swine—Conley, McCoy and Foye.

Clothing, furniture and bedding—Duff, Robert and Conley.

Printing—Dunn, Conley and Eastman.

Provision and supplies—Duff, Tilton and Foye.

Insurance—Foye, Duff and Tilton.

Mr. Robert called attention to a couple of worthy cases in his ward and they were referred to the secretary, while Mr. McCoy offered them assistance from private sources.

After a discussion of the report of the committee on out-door relief in regard to the transfer of the wood yard which was presented in the shape of a blue print from the lands and buildings department for a one-story store at the ambulance yard, the board adjourned.

SUPT. DONLAN'S REPORT.

Supt. Donlan's annual report is as follows:

Lowell, Mass.,
Dec. 31, 1903.

To the Overseers of the Poor:

Gentlemen: I have the honor to present to you the following report of the city hospital and almshouse for the twleve months now ended:

On the first day of January of this year there remained in all departments of the almshouse 179 males and 239 females and in the workhouse 37 males and 41 females, making a total of 496 inmates, of which 90 were in the hospitals and 24 in the nursery.

During the year there were 612 admissions to all departments of the almshouse while 152 prisoners were committed to the workhouse, mainly for drunkenness, making the total number cared for 1260 of which 348 were patients in the hospitals.

The discharges from the almshouse aggregated 653, of which 355 were males and 298 were females, while from the workhouse were discharged or pardoned 195, 100 males and 95 females.

Of the inmates remaining at the end of the year 72 were aliens.

There were 118 deaths, 50 males and 68 females, of the total 14 being due to acute diseases and 17 to tuberculosis alone. The necessity for better care of our consumptives I have urged on you before and can only beg your help in furthering my former plans.

There were 16 births in the maternity ward, eight of each sex, 44 per cent of the total being illegitimate.

THE TRAMP QUESTION.

One of the subjects with which we have to deal and which I regret to say has suffered neglect, owing to the pressure of matters of more immediate import, is the housing of tramps or vagrants, of which we harbored 1882 during the twelve months. They are required to saw wood or shovel snow or coal according to the season at which they apply, and as a rule do sufficient work to average a fair return for the entertainment accorded them.

During December and the latter part of November there was a noticeable increase over the preceding months of this year and the corresponding months of the previous years, and this can only be accounted for by charging it to the rounding up of the lodging houses in Boston.

If we are to continue receiving these travelers, and I see no possibility of discontinuing it, they should unquestionably be given better quarters. Further than this for the safety of the public and ourselves every tramp should be compelled to take a shower bath and be examined by a physician so that those who are a menace may have their freedom curtailed, and not be allowed to depart in the morning for new territory with every probability of leaving disease in their train. This brings me to the necessity of having an interne to whom this work with other duties can be delegated.

Hospital care has to be given to at least a fourth of the inmates and this can not properly be done under the present system. The marvel is that you have not been subjected to more serious epidemics in the past.

There has been constant progress through the year as the obstacles interposed were less than in the year preceding, and I pray that your efforts be directed toward further improvement for there is no such thing as standing still; you must progress or you will retrograde.

BUILDINGS AND APPOINTMENTS.

I have twice requested and shall again repeat the request for an appropriation of ten thousand dollars to improve the physical conditions of the buildings. No one has denied the necessity, but the money has been each time refused on the ground that it should be expended by the buildings department and not by your board, and now the city solicitor has given a decision to that effect. I consider this decision conclusive and urge that you allow the superintendent of public buildings to perform the necessary repairs before we meet with some of the disasters that every day are becoming more threatening.

It is a waste of time for me to recount the absolutely urgent repairs that are needed as I have reiterated them so often that I am disheartened, but I cannot pass two items that are endangering the lives of both inmates and officers even while I am speaking to you. These are the floor of the laundry which is in imminent danger of collapse and the awful possibilities of fire, for the prevention of which no expense is too great. I have installed fire pails and extinguishers in addition to which there are stand pipes and about half enough hose. Your only safety, however, lies in preventing and not in the hope of extinguishing after discovery and to that end I again ask for the installation of electric lights and thermostats, the expense of both being comparatively small and their possibilities of immense advantage. Tin-clad doors are being put in all openings where possible, and I would suggest that automatic sprinklers be placed in the attics.

The necessity for an operating room you will appreciate when you remember that seventeen operations were performed during the year, one of which was a laparotomy, and despite the difficulties which we had to overcome it was successful. In this case it was necessary to wall off a bay window in one of the wings with sterile sheets and to cover the cracked floor and shaky ceiling in like manner, the preparation and then the removal of all this impedimenta consuming more time than would be necessary in preparing for twenty operations if we had decent facilities.

FLOATING POPULATION DECREASES.

The floating almshouse population has had a noticeable diminution which can be attributed to two causes. First, the labor difficulties in the spring, which prevented many of those who worthily try to care for themselves, when able, from going out and second, compulsory and hard labor imposed on a certain element of lazy loiterators made even the cold world outside preferable.

The installation of the card system for registration has enabled us to follow the movements of these chronic paupers to good advantage.

The farm and blacksmith shop averaged about as usual; a mattress shop was opened during the year which will keep the institution supplied; the carpenter shop turned out 112 pieces of new hospital furniture, exclusive of chair caning and repairs, and the sewing room produced 2893 new articles of clothing and mended 5565.

During the coming year the painting which was commenced 18 months ago will be completed, thus taking nearly three years to go thoroughly through the entire system.

A pavilion with awnings was added the past summer to the tent hospital, thus making a desirable open air dining room for those patients who are able to rise during the day.

The chimneys which were crumbling away and a constant menace were recapped and a new system of sanitaries placed in the north wing of the women's buildings.

The boilers were relined and retubed at the instigation of the boiler inspector.

These repairs, the cost of which has to come out of the maintenance fund, together with the enormous increase in the price of coal this year, has materially increased the weekly per capita cost.

NEEDS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

During the coming year I hope to be able to arrange the help in such manner as to allow a night nurse for the male hospital. Under the present arrangement it has shown admirable results, but with none but inmates for attendants at night you lose part of the benefits derived during the day.

I again ask, however, for a clerk in the storehouse to check incoming and outgoing goods, in order to prevent that waste or neglect that must follow the handling of so large an amount of material by inmates who have no responsibility.

In the dispensary 2112 prescriptions are put up annually. Registration of the dispensaries has never been required, but after the unfortunate accidents that have occurred in other places this year you ought to safeguard yourself at least to the extent of having a registered pharmacist and this product you cannot get at the present salary.

With regard to the workhouse my first recommendation is that it be abolished. There is nothing to be said in favor of retaining it and much against it.

Under the present physical arrangement (and there is no chance for improvement) there is absolutely no separation between paupers and prisoners.

The best that can be said is that it is a cruel condition. It has been urged that the prisoners committed would be able to work, thereby saving the cost of paid labor. This is a fallacy; as the ratio of prisoners able to do labor of any value is small.

Again we have not the facilities for working such prisoners as are able to do hard labor in a manner to make confinement distasteful.

The number of commitments to the workhouse is about 30 per cent. less than during the previous year, but it is a question whether the matter of license has any bearing on this subject.

In conclusion, I beg your co-operation for you must know that after the abuses extending over so many years formidable difficulties lie in the path of improvement and you are also aware that divers sordid influences are constantly trying to disturb the harmony and efficiency of the administration of the office, which is essentially the heart of the plant.

While we all regret the need of an almshouse, since the occasion for its existence and increase will always continue, we should take pride in its adaptation to the relief of suffering and this depends on the perfection of its organization. Respectfully,

CHARLES E. DONLAN, M. D.

"DOC" AMES FREE

Supreme Court Quashed the Indictment

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 29.—The supreme court today quashed the indictment against former Mayor Ames of Minneapolis and the entire court held that the indictment was faulty. Judges Stark Collins and Lewis concurred in the majority opinion that the offense was not proven, while Judges Lovely and Brown disagree with that part of the opinion of the majority. Dr. Ames was charged and convicted in the district court of Hennepin county of receiving money illegally as mayor of Minneapolis from women.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY.

The young people of the Swedish Methodist church enjoyed a sleighride to Pelham last night. The party, consisting of 30 members, left Merrimack square shortly before eight o'clock and after inspecting the town of Pelham, N. H., by moonlight, they returned to the city and enjoyed refreshments.

Lowell, Friday, January 29th, 1904.

A. G. Pollard & Co.

Today, Tomorrow and the Clean Sweep Sale

WILL BE HISTORY

A January selling that will remain long in our memory. An increase by many thousands of dollars over any previous January business. You gave us this increased trading first because we offered the lowest prices for seasonable merchandise and second you were confident that our "offerings" were just as we represented them. "Unexcelled Bargains." We intend that the Clean Sweep Sale shall finish as strong and lusty as it began. Hence these special offerings for today and tomorrow.

Double Dark Blue Trading Stamps All Over the Store Today and Tomorrow

BUY A BROOM! The Brooms which for the past month have valiantly marked "the most value for your money" are to be sold for half the regular prices.

There are 96 Brooms in all. The regular 30c. Brooms. They'll be for sale after 7.30 o'clock tomorrow, Saturday night, at only 15c each. One to a customer.

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

Golf Gloves reduced a half and a third in price, and a dollar's worth of extra Trading Stamps with each purchase. For a cold, wet, windy, snowy-blowy sort of a day there's nothing can equal a Woolen Golf Glove for comfort—and there's many days of winter yet to come.

Ladies' 50c and 75c Golf Gloves for 25c and 39c a pair.
Ladies' Cashmere Gloves, 62c value for 39c a pair.
Ladies' and Children's Mittens, 25c and 38c grades for 19c a pair.
Boys' Heavy Mittens, were 19c and 25c, for 10c and 19c a pair.

WEST SECTION—NORTH AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

LINENS

50c Bleached Damask, only....29c YARD
50c Unbleached Damask, only....29c YARD
59c Unbleached Damask, only....39c YARD
$1.25 Unbleached Damask, only....25c YARD
$2.00 Bleached Damask, only....$1.25 YARD
$1.25 and 75c Napkins, only....$1.00 A DOZ.
$3.50 Napkins, only....$2.50 PER DOZ.
$4.00 Napkins, only....$2.75 PER DOZ.
10c Huck Towels for....75c A DOZ.
15c Damask Towels for....10c EACH
25c Huck Towels for....19c EACH
$1.25 and $1.50 Fine Towels for....75c EACH

PALMER STREET—LEFT AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

MEN'S WEAR

What's left of the Sample Gloves, 25c, 50c, $1.00 and $1.50 kinds, only 15c, 33c, 59c and 98c PAIR

Colored Stiff Bosom Shirts, 75c, $1.00, and $1.25 grades, only 49c EACH

Shawknit Seconds of 50c quality Hose, only....12½c PAIR

Sweaters—the heavy Shaker sort, oxford, white and garnet, regular prices $4.00 and $6.00, only....$2.75 and $3.75 EACH

Boys' Wool Sweaters, were $1.00 each, only....69c EACH

Underwear—Odd lots of 50c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.50 sort, reduced to 38c, 69c and 98c

Negligee Shirts, were 50c and 69c each, reduced to only....33c EACH

EAST SECTION—LEFT AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

CHILDREN'S HOSIERY AND UNDERWEAR

38c Stockings for....19c PAIR
50c Stockings for....25c PAIR
15c Stockings for....10c PAIR
50c Woolen Pants for....25c
50c Onelta Union Suits for....25c

EAST SECTION—LEFT AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

DRESS GOODS

Ends, Short Pieces and Good Remnants of Velles, Whipcords, Granite Cloths, Nun's Veiling, Cashmeres, etc., were 59c and 75c, only 39c YARD

PALMER STREET—RIGHT AISLE.

TEA and COFFEE

FOR 92c—1 pound Coffee, ½ pound Tea, 6 pounds Sugar, 1 can Bensdorf Cocoa, for....92 CENTS

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

Final Sweep Prices

Draperies and Rugs

Our Annual before Inventory Selling is on. Muslin Curtains, Lace Curtains, Portieres, Lambrequins, Couch Covers, Tapestries, Pro. Brussel and Ingrain Art Squares, Tapestry and Velour Coverings, etc.; Quimps of all sorts, reduced more than a third the usual regular prices will be much higher.

WEST SECTION—GALLERY.

Final Sweep Prices

Horse Blankets

All our 98c and $1.00 Stable Blankets at....75c EACH
All our $1.25 and $1.39 Stable Blankets at....98c EACH
All our $1.50 and $1.75 Stable Blankets at....$1.25 EACH
All our $1.00 Street Blankets at....75c EACH
All our $1.25, $1.39, $1.49 Street Blankets at....$1.00 EACH
A lot of $2.00 Street Blankets at....$1.49 EACH
A lot of $3.00 Street Blankets at....$2.25 EACH

These prices are to clear away the Blankets before we call off Stock tomorrow night. "It's a good time to buy," for next year the prices will be much higher.

PALMER STREET—BASEMENT.

Final Sweep Prices

TOILET GOODS

Colgate's Cashmere Bouquet and Violet Toilet Powder, Rudnut's Toilet and Face Powder, 25c and 50c packages, only....15c EACH
25c Almond Meal, only....10c
25c Eastman's Violet Toilet Water, only....10c BOTTLE

Final Sweep Prices

LEATHER GOODS

Young People's Purses of Seal or Walrus, were 25c, for....15c EACH
All our 35c and 50c Novelties marked to close....25c EACH

Final Sweep Prices

SILVER GOODS

All our Silver Novelties that have been 39c, 50c, 75c, reduced to 25c EACH

RIGHT AISLE—WEST SECTION.

Final Sweep Prices

UMBRELLAS

$3.00 to $5.00 Umbrellas marked $1.49, only....79c EACH
$1.50 to $3.00 Umbrellas marked 98c, only....79c EACH

EAST SECTION—NORTH AISLE.

IN POLICE COURT

Man Who Helped Himself to Cigars

WAS SENTENCED TO TWO MONTHS IN JAIL

Two Juvenile Cases in Court

Michael J. Finnerty, the young man who visited small stores representing himself to be a United States revenue officer for the purpose of getting free smokes, in police court today pleaded guilty to two complaints charging him with larceny and was sentenced to two months in jail. Finnerty called at Mrs. Boyle's store in Salem street a few days ago and told her he was a U. S. revenue officer and had visited her store for the purpose of taking samples of her cigars, cigarettes and tobacco. He said if they were up to the standard he would return them. He went behind the counter and helped himself to two cigars, a box of cigarettes and plug of tobacco. He also called at Annie Cullin's store in the same street and told her the same story. He went behind the counter and took one cigar. When asked by the court if he had any explanation to make, he answered no.

Matthew J. Wilton, charged with illegally exposing and keeping for sale intoxicating liquors, had his case continued to Feb. 3.

John J. Walsh, charged with drunkenness, failing to provide proper support for his wife, Annie M. Walsh, was sentenced to three months in jail. The sentence was suspended and he was placed in the hands of the probation officer.

Joseph McMahon and Everett Fall, two boys, were charged with taking a horse without having proper consent so to do. The McMahon boy acknowledged that he took the horse, but supposed it would be all right as the owner of the horse, Mr. Eben Bray, had allowed him to take the horse on several occasions. The Fall boy did not know that the McMahon boy had taken the horse without having Mr. Bray's consent. He was asked to take a ride, he said, and he took it. The McMahon boy was placed in the hands of the probation officer and the Fall boy had his case placed on file.

Bannister D. Marsden, charged with non-support, was sentenced to three months in jail. The sentence was suspended and he was placed in the hands of the probation officer for a term of six months. The complainant was his wife, Lillian Marsden.

Two drunken offenders, their first appearance before the court within a year, were fined $2 each and one was released.

DR. GUY HOLBROOK

Thrown From a Sleigh and Hurt

Dr. Guy Holbrook, chairman of the board of health, had a narrow escape from being badly hurt yesterday by being thrown from a sleigh in Chelmsford Centre. Frank H. Bachelder, who was driving the sleigh, was also thrown out, but escaped unhurt.

Yesterday Dr. Holbrook received word from Mr. Bachelder that he was wanted at the latter's residence in Chelmsford Centre, and when the doctor reached the village, having traveled there on the electric cars, he was met by Mr. Bachelder who drove him to his residence. Dr. Holbrook made the call and when ready to return to this city he was informed that the cars were not running on good time and Mr. Bachelder volunteered to drive him in as far as Jenness street where a car could be procured.

After passing the drug store in the village a snow plow and car passed the sleigh and the horse driven by Mr. Bachelder became frightened and started down the road at a high rate of speed. On reaching Dr. Howard's residence the animal took to the sidewalk where two trees and a telephone pole are located, and while trying to pass between these obstacles the sleigh struck the tree and the occupants of the sleigh were thrown out.

Dr. Holbrook struck against one of the trees and at first it was thought he had sustained a fractured skull, but when examined by Dr. Howard it was found that the most severe injury was a cut on the scalp which required two stitches. He also sustained other minor bruises and scratches and one of his hands was wrenched.

Mr. Bachelder escaped unhurt. The horse continued to run until he reached Jenness street where he was captured. Dr. Holbrook was able to return to this city on a train later in the day.

MILKMAN HURT

IN THE OVERTURNING OF HIS SLEIGH.

William J. Quirk, a milkman in the employ of Henry Currier of Pelham, N. H., had a narrow escape from being badly hurt shortly before nine o'clock this morning by the milk sleigh which he was driving tipping over and falling on top of him.

Quirk was delivering milk in West street, Centralville, and while attempting to turn his horse around in the deep snow the sleigh was overturned and Quirk was buried beneath the sleigh and the pile of milk cans and bottles. He fell in such a manner that his right foot was wedged between the sleigh and the curbing.

The ambulance was summoned and he was removed to St. John's hospital where it was found that his right ankle was broken. The attending physicians dressed his ankle.

ACCIDENT ON THE LAWRENCE.

Jose Crevier, residing at 470 Moody street, while at work in the Lawrence Manufacturing Co., this morning, shortly before eight o'clock, had his right hand caught between the rollers of a box planer, causing the laceration of that hand. The ambulance was summoned and he was removed to the Lowell hospital where his hand was dressed.

THE LATE LIEUT. P. S. WEBSTER.

LIEUT. WEBSTER

Popular Fireman of Hose 9 Died Suddenly

Peter S. Webster, lieutenant of Hose 9, in Lincoln street, died very suddenly shortly after 1 o'clock this morning, death having resulted from neuralgia of the heart.

The deceased was around the firehouse yesterday enjoying the best of health and last night made a tour of the district around the station to see if any of the street lights were out and returning went to bed about 9 o'clock.

At 10.30 o'clock George Chapman, a call man who sleeps in the firehouse, went to bed and saw Webster who was sound asleep at the time. At 12.25 Webster awoke and complained of a pain across his chest and told Chapman to go for the doctor. Chapman dressing himself, hurried to the residence of Dr. Wesley Sawyer, which is nearby, and the doctor was soon on hand, but despite all that medical skill could do he passed away at nine minutes past one this morning.

The deceased had been a member of the fire department since May, 1884, and had seemed to be enjoying good health of late, excepting that he complained of what he termed dyspepsia, but an examination showed that death resulted from neuralgia of the heart and in all probability it was the neuralgia instead of dyspepsia which was troubling him.

Mr. Webster's family, which consists of his wife and two children, resides at 249 London street, and though they were sent for when it was found that he was dying, they did not arrive until after his death. He was removed to his home this morning by Undertaker C. M. Young & Co. He was 56 years, 4 months and 7 days old.

GERMAN FORCES

Meet Severe Reverses in Southwest Africa

BERLIN, Jan. 29.—The commander of the German gunboat Habicht lying at Swakopomund, German Southwest Africa, cables that he has received news from Lieut. Zeulow, in command of the German forces at Okahandja (a mission station 80 miles from Walfish bay) that the Kafirs have effected a junction with the Hereros who are besieging that post. As Okahandja was already hard pressed the announcement has caused concern at the colonial office here.

SOME HARD FIGHTING.

BERLIN, Jan. 29—The following dispatch from Lieut. Zuelow, sent by messenger via Karibib, was received here today:

"OKAHANDJA, Jan. 20—Am holding Okahandja. Occupied it Jan. 15 with 200 men after heavy fighting. Am waiting for guns from the Habicht. Ask for a division of artillery. Weak corps with machine gun from Windhock repulsed 12th and 13th. Loss reported, eight reserves.

"In order to establish connections with the rear and bring forward military transports we attempted today with 60 men to reach Karibib by rail."

A later dispatch dated Jan. 21, says:

"Yesterday afternoon near Kawatuerasane, between Waldas and Okasise, there was a sharp fight. A division of about 70 men strong, sent forward by rail, lost 4 dead and 3 slightly wounded. The enemy lost 20 to 25 dead.

"As the bridge was destroyed am trying to send news from Karibib through trustworthy natives.

"We can hold out for some time yet."

WOMAN BURNED

Had Narrow Escape From Terrible Death

BUT FOR HUSBAND SHE WOULD HAVE PERISHED

Mrs. Green in a Very Critical Condition

Mrs. Celia Green, of 20 Franklin court, off Brooks street, had a narrow escape from being burned to death at her home last evening. She now lies in a critical condition at St. John's hospital. Inquiry at the hospital this morning brought out the fact that she had spent a bad night, suffering a great deal from the burns sustained.

The accident happened shortly after six o'clock, while Mrs. Green was lighting a lamp preparatory to taking it out and placing it in a hallway. Taking the lamp down from a shelf she removed the chimney and lighting a match applied it to the wick. After lighting the wick she threw the match, which she thought had burned out, on the floor. The match continued to burn and set fire to a newspaper which was on the floor.

While Mrs. Green was regulating the lamp the newspaper continued to burn, and in a very short space of time the flames communicated with her dress, the first hint of danger being the heat of the flames behind. Turning around to find the cause she was horrified to see the back of her dress ablaze. The dress was of a light material and was an easy prey for the flames. She attempted to put the fire out, but was unsuccessful.

In her excitement she ran about the kitchen screaming for help, the flames all the time creeping upward around her on account of the draft caused by her rapid movements.

The woman's husband was reading in another room and he rushed to his wife's assistance and by most strenuous efforts finally succeeded in extinguishing the flames, not, however, until they had inflicted very painful injuries about the woman's thighs, hips and back. Mr. Green's hands were badly scorched.

The ambulance was summoned and both were taken to St. John's hospital. On the way to the hospital Dr. P. E. Sullivan applied temporary treatment.

A report from the hospital stated that while the condition of Mrs. Green was of a very serious nature, it was not necessarily fatal. Mr. Green sustained superficial burns about the hands and wrists.

VALUE OF LIFE

Rep. McManus Sets it at $25,000

Representative McManus of Natick has put in a bill making the limit for which a person can sue in case of death of a relative at $25,000 instead of $5000, which is now the law. In New York state there is no limit to the amount for which such a suit can be brought.

CHECK FOR FIREMEN.

Another check of $50 has been added to the Lowell firemen's relief fund, a letter from Fred N. Weir this morning having the check enclosed. The check is sent in recognition of the good service performed by the local firemen at the fire in the old Odd Fellows' block in Merrimack street on the morning of the ninth of this month.

The following is the letter received by Chief Hosmer this morning:

Lowell, Mass.,
Jan. 28, 1904.

Edward S. Hosmer, President Firemen's Fund Association:

Dear Sir: Enclosed please find my check for $50, a contribution to the Firemen's Fund association in appreciation of the intelligent work of the fire department at the fire in Odd Fellows' building on Merrimack street on the morning of Jan. 9th, last.

Very truly,
F. N. WEIR.

Never Refuse

to advertise in a paper with a large circulation because you do not agree with its views on public questions. It is not to the paper that you appeal for trade, but to its readers. If you solicit patronage from those only who think as you do, you had better go out of business before you lose every dollar you have.

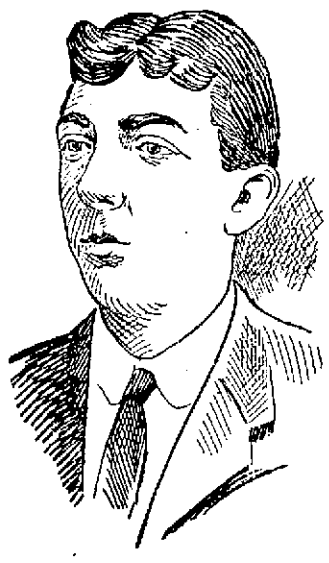
You may not agree with THE SUN on all questions, but if you take the trouble to look into its circulation, you will agree that you cannot afford to be out of its columns if you advertise at all.

LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER

OFFICERS CHOSEN

By Evening High School Class 1904

The first meeting of the class of 1904 of the Evening High school was held in room 4, High school building, last night. The meeting was called for the purpose of electing officers and the



JOHN J. KELLEY.

contests for places was most spirited. The result of the balloting was as follows:

President, John James Kelley; vice-president, Michael O'Brien; secretary, Miss Nora Curtin; treasurer, Miss Agnes Tully.

INJURED BY TOY PISTOL.

Napoleon Heroux, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon Heroux, of 88 Austin street, met with a painful accident while playing with a toy pistol Wednesday. The pistol was loaded with powder and accidentally went off in the boy's face.

His right eyelid was badly burned, though the eye itself escaped injury. Dr. Rochette was called to attend the boy.

TO KILL OFFICIALS

Entering Macedonia on Reform Mission

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 29.—The porte has notified the Austrian and Russian embassies that the Macedonian committees have arranged with the Albanians for liberal rewards, to have them kill every foreign officer sent into the provinces in connection with the re-organization of the gendarmerie under the reform scheme of the powers. The porte, therefore, objects to the officers wearing foreign uniforms, as their lives are thereby endangered.

CHISHOLM WON

Had Easy Thing With Kid Goldstein

CHISHOLM SHOWED BIG IMPROVEMENT

At Riverview Club Smoke Talk

The Riverview club held its weekly smoke talk at Dewey Grove, last night, and aside from the musical and literary program presented three fine boxing bouts for the entertainment of the large number of members present.

The first preliminary was between Young Kale and Kid Lavelle, both of Lawrence, and neither one of them could write a book on the game, still they went six lively rounds, during which Kale came near being precipitated in the tureen in the fourth round.

In the second preliminary Matt Carney and Tom Marshall had a friendly go of six rounds, introducing science and fun. They were presented with two invitations to retire after they had tapped each other for four rounds.

The main bout was between Billy Chisholm of this city and Kid Goldstein of New York. Both men were in excellent shape and though Chisholm has not appeared in the ring for some time he showed up finely and has improved remarkably. Though the bout was scheduled for only six rounds that many were not necessary for in the fifth the Liddesher boy sailed away to the golden ghetto and remained there the necessary 10 seconds. The entire five rounds were all Chisholm's and in the second he put the Kid to the carpet. Chisholm showed more speed than ever before and had the old punch with him.

Luke Welch officiated as referee and Jimmie Kelly of Revere refereed the preliminaries.

Freddie Mallison rendered several songs and Fred Russell presided at the piano.

TEN CENT FARE

BETWEEN LAWRENCE AND LOWELL IS SUGGESTED.

E. C. Callahan asks for a 10-cent fare on street railways between Lowell and Lawrence.

EARL OF DEVON DEAD.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The earl of Devon (Rev. Sir Henry Hugh Courtenay) rector of Powderham, Deon, is dead. He was born July 15, 1811, and held an extensive estate.

Dr. Guy Holbrook, of this city, has taken a residence down town at the New American House. Telephone 893-4.

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$12, $13.50 and $15 Jackets, now **$5.90**

$16.50, $18.50 and $20 Jackets, now **$7.50**

$21.50, $24.50 and $30.00 Jackets, now **$12.50**

CHILDREN'S COATS.

$6.00 Coats, now..... $2.90
$8.00 Coats, now..... $3.90
$9.00 Coats, now..... $4.90
$10.00 Coats, now..... $5.90
$12.00 Coats, now..... $6.90

CAPES

Immense values in Ladies' Capes, at $3.90, $6.90, $10.90, worth from $6.98 to $18.00.

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In Lots.

One lot, choice 25c, worth $1.00.

One lot, choice 49c, worth $1.25.

One lot silk, choice $3.90, worth $4.98, $5.98, $6.98.

One lot, choice 98c, worth $1.98, $2.98, and $3.98.

FURS

Our stock of Furs is not very large, but it includes more values than we have seen this season.

See the Bargains.

One lot Fur Scarfs and Muffs, some were $5.75, $6.98, $7.98.

Choice $2.98

All Furs less than half price.

SUITS

Worth $12.98, now..... $3.98
Worth $15.00, now..... $4.98
Worth $16.50, now..... $5.98
Worth $20.00, now..... $8.90

SKIRTS

Walking and Dress Skirts.

Some were sold for $4.98, $6.98 and $8.98. All on one table.

Choice $2.98

New York Cloak & Suit Company 12 JOHN STREET
Old Reliable Store

TRIED A SWINDLE

William F. Mannix Tried to Work Governor Bates

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—William F. Mannix, formerly a newspaper correspondent, who was expelled from Cuba in 1896 by the Spanish authorities, was arrested yesterday afternoon at the state house by Inspector Harris and Detective Rhodes. The charge against him was forgery of the name of Geo. B. Cortelyou, secretary of the department of commerce and labor, to a check for $25, which he uttered upon John E. Breslin, keeper of the Hampton house at Haymarket square.

In addition to this direct charge, Mannix is suspected of having attempted to swindle Gov. John L. Bates by procuring his identification for the purpose of cashing a worthless draft, which, drawn in favor of Mannix, had been sent a short time ago to the governor from the hotel Raleigh, Washington, by someone representing himself as the father of Mannix.

The letter to the governor with which the draft was inclosed was signed "William F. Mannix," and was to the effect that his son was soon to visit Massachusetts, coming from Montreal. The request was made that the governor deliver to the boy, on his appearance, the draft, which was on the Columbia national bank of Washington and for $50. It was drawn by "William F. Mannix" to the order of "William F. Mannix." On the reverse was "Payable to William F. Mannix, Jr.," but there was no endorsement.

SOWING THE SEED.

As long ago as Sept. 1 Governor Bates received a letter from Minnesota signed by William F. Mannix, a person unknown to him, requesting the governor's opinion as to the proper titles for governors, president, etc. The governor answered this letter and nothing more was heard from Mr. Mannix until last week.

Then came another letter in which Mr. Mannix thanked the governor for his favor of reply to the prior letter, and warmly expressed his admiration for Massachusetts, Governor Bates and everything connected with the old Bay state. Incidentally he said in the letter that his son, William F. Mannix, Jr., was in Montreal, but was about to visit Boston. He would call on the governor, who had been so kind to his father in answering that first letter. In this letter he inclosed the draft with the request that the governor hand it to the young man.

Wednesday young Mannix was heard from when he called at the state house and inquired of Secretary Hurtubis whether there was a draft awaiting him there.

He was told that there was, and invited to come to the state house.

In the afternoon he made his appearance and was received by Governor Bates, to whom he brought a few offerings in the shape of a piece of stone, which he said was from the wall of China, a bit of the bridge in the "Forbidden City," a little china plate and four Chinese coins.

He spoke about his father and how delighted he had been with the governor's kindness some months ago. Mr. Mannix was given the draft and then asked the governor to identify him. The governor turned to his private secretary, really suspecting nothing, and asked the latter to identify him, but Secretary Hurtubis told the young man that the state treasurer's office was closed and he then suggested that he would like a little money till next day. The secretary finally gave him $5 to tide him over the night. He told Mannix to come up again yesterday and he would identify him.

PRODUCTIVE INQUIRIES.

Meanwhile Sec. Hurtubis, to whom the young man had been turned over, became satisfied that something was wrong, and he therefore started a series of inquiries. One of the results was obtaining information from Washington that no William F. Mannix had funds at the Columbia national bank.

The secretary also received a telephone message from the Vendome that the hotel had received a letter with a check for Mannix, Jr., inclosed.

The letter, written on note paper of the hotel Raleigh, Washington, said the writer's son was soon to visit Boston as the guest of Gov. Bates. The manager of the hotel was asked to deliver the check to the son, who would stay at the Vendome. The check was drawn on a bank in Wayzata, Minn., which is a summer resort, 14 miles from Minneapolis. W. H. Mannix in the letter claimed to live at Round Lake, Minn. The letter was held at the Vendome a week and sent to the police.

When Mannix, Jr., called at the executive department yesterday morning for his draft and identification he was told that the state treasurer was not in his office and that he alone in the treasury department could pay the money on the draft. Mr. Mannix was therefore invited to call at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

The young man went away, and Sec. Hurtubis went to the Adams house, where Mannix was stopping. On the registry book he found the entry "William F. Mannix and wife, Wayzata, Minn." He compared the handwriting on the book with the signature on the draft, but they tallied only, in his opinion, as to the "mix" at the end of the name.

At 3 o'clock Mannix again put in an appearance at the executive department. The private secretary had invited Detective Rhodes to attend the sence, and later had invited Inspector Harris of the Boston headquarters. The secretary questioned Mannix, who said he was stopping at the Adams house alone. The secretary could not get him to say that his wife or anybody else was with him.

The police were parties to the conversation, and at the end it was decided to take Mannix to headquarters, though there was no specific charge that could be made against him. At this time Mannix protested that he was from Minnesota, but admitted that he had worked on a Boston newspaper in 1898 and had been in Cuba during the war.

BRESLIN JUST ON TIME.

At headquarters the police were making but little progress with Mannix, when in walked Breslin with the complaint as to the checks passed upon him, and Mannix's identification followed.

The story of the check transaction is, according to Mr. Breslin, that Mannix came to his house Wednesday and represented himself as being the captain of Co. H, 9th U. S. Infantry. He said he was on leave and apologized for presenting himself at the hotel as he had been drinking. He showed a lot of letters of recommendation and said that he was going to call on Gov. Bates, who was his friend. He added that a draft for him had been sent to the governor to keep until his arrival, but that he needed a little money before he went to the state house.

He then produced a check on the Columbia national bank of Washington purporting to be signed by George B. Cortelyou, and asked Mr. Breslin to cash it, which he did.

Mannix went to the telephone in the Hampton house and called up the governor's office at the state house. Mr. Breslin heard the conversation, so far as Mannix carried it on, and it seemed to him that the governor recognized the voice of Mannix, and the latter said when he came, smiling, from the telephone, that the governor had asked him to come right up and see him.

Mannix then went away and Mr. Breslin did not see him again until the police had him.

When arrested yesterday Mannix had the money that Breslin had given him.

Mannix was either pretty drunk or pretended to be when he reached the office of Chief Watts, the first impression he created was that of a man who had done a freakish thing while on a drunk. When he was searched, however, letters of recommendation purporting to be signed by Gen. Nelson A. Miles and other noted men were found on him, and Chief Watts came to the conclusion that Mannix wasn't as innocent as he appeared, not even when he confessed, according to the police, that he had passed the $25 check on Breslin and had tried to get one for $50 cashed by the governor.

At headquarters Mannix said he lived in Washington, but the police say that he used to live in Charlestown.

Mrs. Rose Jordan Hartford wishes to state that owing to the many large snow storms the ladies have been prevented from getting a chance to purchase millinery but they have lost nothing by waiting as they can have their choice of a large number of beautiful trimmed hats, which have been selling from $8.00 to $15.00, and which this week we will close out at $3.98 each. We also have a number of others at prices from 49c up, and any of these hats are worth three times the price. Remember the sale is now on at Mrs. Rose Jordan Hartford's, corner of John and Lee streets.

POOR PENS

are more easily spoiled than good ones. Good things last longer and that's why we keep the best of everything in our line.

School supplies of all kinds that any scholar needs. If you don't see it, we will get it.

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PATSY SWEENEY

PROVED HIMSELF A HERO AT A FIRE.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Jan. 29.—Patsey Sweeney, Manchester's well-known pugilist, yesterday proved himself a hero. In the fire which resulted in the death of Annie Lydon, at 204 Chestnut street, he saved three lives.

Young Sweeney, who lives on the first floor of the tenement here, at about 10 o'clock heard screams in the tenement above and hurried to the place. He met little Annie Lydon on the stairs with her clothing and hair in a blaze. Seizing her in his arms he put out the fire on her dress, blistering his hands in the effort.

He then turned the child over to others to be cared for and dashed up stairs again. There he found his own child, 1 year old, with its clothing on fire and two other children, 2 and 3 years of age, on a blazing bed. He put out the flames on his child's clothes and lifted the children from the bed.

He next threw the burning material through a window into the street and carried all of the children to his own apartments. All three were nearly suffocated by smoke.

Annie Lydon died yesterday afternoon.

GOT SIX MONTHS

CHINAMAN AND HIS WHITE WIFE SENTENCED.

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—In the first session of the municipal court yesterday afternoon Chin Tye, a Chinaman and his white wife, Emma Chin Tye, were tried before Judge Wentworth on two charges, the first for abducting and keeping imprisoned in their house at 26 Oxford street, two young white girls who gave their names as Josephine Reed and Gertrude Lewis, and the second for keeping a house of ill fame.

Both the girls swore that they came to Boston from Nova Scotia and that Chin Tye met them a few days after they reached here and invited them to go to his house and see his white wife. They said they went, their street clothes were taken from them and they were held prisoners for two to three months and forced to receive the attentions of white men and Chinamen indiscriminately.

The characters of the girls were attacked by the lawyer for the defence, and several witnesses swore to uncomplimentary things about them, with the result that he would not find probable cause on the first charge and ordered the Tyes discharged.

On the second charge Patrolman Hughes had enough police evidence to convince the court of the guilt of the Tyes and each was sentenced to six months in the house of correction. They entered appeals.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES.

The evangelists were greeted by a large audience at the evangelistic service last evening at Immanuel Baptist church, Blossom street. Rev. Mr. Harriman preached a powerful and most convincing sermon on the subject of "The Great Salvation," which deeply moved his hearers. Mr. Taylor sang by special request and most effectively "The Wanderers' Prayer" also as a closing appeal "Where art thou, Soul?" The service this evening will be the last this week and special arrangements will be made so far as human instrumentality is concerned to make it the best of the series thus far. Mr. Harriman will preach a sermon especially adapted to the young, and Mr. Taylor will sing several new and appropriate selections. The praise service will begin promptly at 7.30 o'clock and this evening new features in song will be introduced.

DRANK POISON

Beautiful School Girl Was Reprimanded

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—A whispered prayer that death might come and blot out the thought of disgrace which she believed would follow her expulsion from school was the first utterance which watchful nurses caught from the lips of a remarkably beautiful girl of 15 years, who was taken to North Hudson, N. J., hospital suffering from carbolic acid poisoning yesterday.

Six hours after she had been found in the waiting room of the ferry house at Weehawken, where she had tried to end her life, she revived somewhat and revealed her identity.

She is Annabelle Reinders, the only child of Charles Reinders, a tobacco manufacturer, who lives at 425 15th street, West New York.

It was her beauty which attracted the attention of passengers when she entered the waiting room shortly before 11 a. m. yesterday. She walked briskly into the retiring room and nodded to Mrs. Odell, the attendant. A moment later Mrs. Odell saw the girl raise a bottle to her lips and drain the contents. The odor of carbolic acid filled the room and Mrs. Odell sprang to the girl's side, but too late.

"I am going to die; I have drunk poison," the girl murmured as Mrs. Odell bent over her. Before she lost consciousness she said: "I am glad I am going to die. Please leave me alone."

Mrs. Odell called the station master, who summoned a physician and an ambulance.

When the parents arrived at the hospital it was learned that the child was summoned to the office of Supt. Ortel of the Union Hill schools immediately after she had reported for her studies yesterday morning. She was crying when she left his office. She went to a nearby drug store and purchased with the nickel which she was saving for car fare home, a bottle of carbolic acid. She told the druggist she wanted the acid for a felon. "I sent her home for an indiscretion which was brought to my attention by one of the teachers," Supt. Ortel said last night. "I summoned her into my office and after confronting her with the indiscretion, told her to go home and I would write her parents. She burst into tears and asked if I was going to expel her. I told her that she was neither expelled nor suspended, but that she must go home and I would consult with her parents about the case."

When pressed for an explanation of the indiscretion, Supt. Ortel said the child had written a letter and he intimated that the contents of the letter were what called for disciplinc.

The physicians at the hospital held out little hope for the child's recovery.

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WENT TO JURY

The Hand Polygamy Case is Finished

In the superior criminal court at Salem yesterday afternoon the case of Edward E. Hand of 43 Liberty street, Lowell, charged with polygamy, was given to the jury, but at adjournment no verdict had been reached. During the trial yesterday several phases of the allegations made by the government were made clear by witnesses and record, the more important being the following:

That Edward E. Hand married Ivy E. Reed of St. Johnsbury, Vt., Feb. 25, 1895, the ceremony being performed at Lawrence by Rev. U. W. Dockrill; that the couple lived together until March 16, 1897, when she went to her old home in St. Johnsbury, and that wife No. 1 was divorced from defendant Oct. 29, 1899.

It was also shown that Hand married Miss Alice Binns of Lowell June 30, 1901, and married Irene S. Palmer, now living at 343 Washington street, Haverhill, Sept. 19, 1903; that she Tilton cottage at Salisbury beach is in the town of Salisbury, Mass., and that Miss Palmer just previous to her marriage rented the cottage of Mrs. Martha E. Tilton of Haverhill.

GAVE A PARTY

MACHINISTS ENTERTAINED AT ASSOCIATE HALL LAST NIGHT.

Lowell lodge, No. 138, International Association of Machinists, held its first complimentary dancing party at Associate hall last evening and the affair was largely attended. The officers of the evening were: General manager, C. H. Beard; assistant general manager, Edward Young; floor director, Melville Harris; assistant floor director, Frank Scott; chief aid, Thomas Tierney; aids, Clyde Written, P. C. Murray, Joseph Quinn, Frederick Barrows, Adinore Boudfeaux, James McGrail, Jeremiah Taylor, John Morrissey, Herbert Hilliard, E. H. Burke; reception committee, James McEvoy, Maurice Butterfield, Timothy Kearns, John Lyons, Williams Lyness, Thomas Carey, J. Enright, Walter Witham and George Watson.

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LAST TWO DAYS OF THE JANUARY SALE

Stock Taking is over. Every corner has been thoroughly examined and odds and ends brought out. Some "discoveries" made that were not pleasing—over stock here, dead stock there, etc. We have applied an effective remedy however. A sharp and decisive lowering of prices which will by Saturday night bring stocks to a normal condition. Do not misunderstand us, and think these odds and ends are trash. Not so, for they are desirable in every particular only they cannot be duplicated this coming season. So out they go. Our stocks are bright, clean, fresh goods, but we have too many of them. The buyers were over generous, we want the room they occupy, incidentally the money they represent so down go the prices in some cases, one half. Many things that are "bargains" never appear in these columns because the lots are too small to advertise. We will give you an idea of our Price Lowering in the following flashlight bulletin:

WOMEN'S COATS, SUITS AND CAPES

ALL MARKED DOWN TO

1-2 Original Price

This includes every one of the above garments in our store, "none reserved." We must reduce stock and we take this method to do it. If you have a need or are likely to have a need for any of these garments, seize this opportunity to supply it, for opportunities of this character are few and far between . . . . . .

Jersey Underwear

Union Suits (for women), fine wool, a little soiled, black, white and grey in the lot; have been selling for $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50.....Now $1.00

Women's Union Suits, small sizes, regularly 39c.....Now 19c

Girls' Pants—Boys' Drawers. All wool, white, grey and scarlet, regularly 79c and 98c.....Now 39c

Women's 50c Garments, odds and ends in Jersey Ribbed Vests, Pants and Corset Covers.....Now 25c

HOSIERY

Women's Fleeced Hose, were 12½c Now 10c

Women's Fancy Red Hose, were 50c Now 12½c

Women's Fancy Hose, were 50c Now 25c

Women's Black Lace Hose, were 50c Now 39c

Women's Fancy Lisle Hose, were 98c and $1.49.....Now 49c

Women's Fancy Silk and Lisle Hose, were $2.00 and $3.00.....Now 69c

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See window display. On sale in basement.

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Be Sure and See What Each Contains (For You.)

Knives (pocket), regularly 25c Now 10c

"Vita" Bath Brushes, regularly 50c Now 25c

Williams' Shaving Soap, regularly 8c Now 5c

Hair Rolls, regularly 15c.....Now 9c

Munyon's Soap, regularly 10c. Now 8c

"Cosmo" Buttermilk Soap, regularly 7c Now 6c

Whisk Brooms, regularly 10c. Now 5c

Compounded Vaseline, regularly 5c Now 2 for 5c

Toilet Soap, regularly 5c. Now 2 for 5c

Sponges, regularly 2c to 10c Now ½ price

Buttons (fancies), regularly 40c to 50c card.....Now 10c

Buttons (wash), regularly 5c. Now 1c

Hooks and Eyes, regularly 5c. Now 10c

Corset Steels, regularly 5c. Now 3c

Basting Cotton, regularly 5c Now 3 for 10c

Linen Finish Thread, regularly 5c Now 2 for 5c

Pearl Buttons, regularly 5c Now 2 for 5c

Box Paper, regularly 25c. Now 10c

Dainty 16 mo. Books, regularly 25c Now 15c

Small 16 mo. Books, regularly 10c Now 6c

History of Lowell, regularly $4.98 Now $1.00

Baby Pins (with chains), regularly 25c Now 10c

Beauty Pins, regularly 10c.....Now 7c

Waist Sets, regularly 25c.....Now 10c

Aluminum Novelties, regularly 10c Now 5c

Buckle Sets, regularly 25c.....Now 15c

Front and Back Buckles, regularly 25c Now 15c

Top Collars, regularly 10c.....Now 5c

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Everything in stock that has a blemish, no matter how slight, is included in this mark down. However, some are perfect goods.

Waists that were 98c to $1.50 now **49c**
Waists that were $2 to $2.25 now **98c**
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Black and colored Gimps now **2c Yard** were 10c and 12 1-2c.

Silk Allovers, your choice of anything in our stock, **just 1-2 marked price.**

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Lace Insertion, regularly 10c and 15c. Now 5c

Lace Insertion, regularly 19c. Now 10c

Lace Insertion, regularly 25c. Now 15c

Flannelette Night Gowns, regularly $1.00 ..... Now 69c

Flannelette Night Gowns, regularly 49c ..... Now 39c

Children's Flannelette Dresses, regularly 49c.....Now 25c

Women's Muslin Robes, regularly 39c. Now 25c

Women's Muslin Corset Covers, regularly 25c.....Now 19c

Women's Golf Gloves, regularly 50c Now 25c

Women's Felt Slippers (Romeos), regularly $1.00.....Now 75c

Women's Felt Slippers (hand sewed), regularly $1.25.....Now 89c

Women's Jersey Leggins, regularly $1.00 .....Now 69c

Misses' Jersey Leggins, regularly 69c Now 49c

Children's Jersey Leggins, regularly 49c .....Now 39c

Lace Curtains (odd lots), regularly 49c and 59c.....Now 39c

Lace Curtains (odd lots), regularly 89c and 98c.....Now 69c

Lace Curtains (odd lots), regularly $1.19 to $1.49.....Now 98c

Lace Curtains (odd lots), regularly $2.00 to $3.00.....Now $1.49

A Good Muslin Curtain for..... 25c

Men's Bosom Shirts, regularly $1.00 Now 49c

Men's Bosom Shirts, regularly 50c Now 25c

Men's 4-in. Hand Ties, regularly 25c Now 10c

Edinborough Ginghams, regularly 15c Now 10c

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White and Marble Table Oil Cloth, regularly 18c.....Now 12½c

Dark Prints, regularly 5c.....Now 3¾c

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100 Stamps with 1 lb. Baking Powder

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6.45	6.50	6.00	7.04
6.27	7.40	6.30	7.26
a6.37	7.20	7.35	8.35
a6.42	7.52	8.25	9.01
e7.01	8.05	e9.00	9.37
a7.24	8.10	e10.00	10.37
e7.31	8.50	a10.17	11.31
7.45	8.35	e11.30	12.07
8.53	9.40	12.00	12.38
9.40	10.40	e1.00	1.37
11.09	12.07	2.00	3.01
e11.43	12.22	e3.00	3.37
a12.14	1.00	a3.47	5.10
1.40	2.30	4.14	5.20
e1.58	2.33	e5.00	5.37
a2.03	4.20	5.35	6.25
e3.47	4.30	a5.47	6.14
4.25	5.35	6.14	7.30
e5.22	6.15	e7.35	8.08
a5.44	7.00	e8.30	9.08
e8.22	7.00	10.30	11.34
e7.23	8.10	11.20	12.22

SUNDAY TRAINS

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
e5.20	7.50	9.00	10.02
a7.24	6.19	1.00	1.37
8.15	9.48	5.00	5.39
a8.20	10.15	e7.35	6.08
a4.25	5.30	e8.30	9.08
a5.08	7.00	9.00	10.02

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
7.30	8.00	7.30	8.34
8.00	8.41	9.25	10.32
9.25	10.32	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.08
12.05	1.32	2.15	3.19
12.45	1.37	3.36	4.55
2.30	3.36	4.09	5.30
3.10	4.19	6.01	7.05
3.55	5.04	6.35	7.48
5.46	6.43	9.38	10.40
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7.00	8.08		
9.25	10.30		

SUNDAY TRAINS

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
8.15	9.27	8.00	9.17
12.05	1.24	12.00	1.09
4.05	5.16	6.00	6.27
5.30	6.55		
8.00	9.05		

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Glenmore club, Prescott hall this evening.

TROLLEY SMASH

Three Cars in One Mass of Ruins

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Three trolley cars of the Westchester avenue line of the Union railway on the Bronx and a truck laden with heavy steel girders figured in a smash-up last night, in which half a dozen persons were injured, three so seriously that they were removed to Lebanon hospital. The accident happened on a steep hill. Owing to the darkness the motorman did not see the truck, laden with heavy girders until he was close upon it, and was powerless to stop his car.

The momentum was so great that the car was torn asunder. Half a dozen passengers, three of them women, were in the car, but escaped serious injury. The car was left in darkness and before the passengers could alight another car had crashed into it from the rear. The motorman did not see the wreck until he was almost upon it and so steep was the grade that he was unable to stop. He was crushed between the two cars and had a hip dislocated. Great confusion followed when the first car took fire, but the flames were soon extinguished. In the midst of this a third car came down the hill and drove its way into the wreck. Five of its passengers were hurt.

HELPED HIMSELF

Michael Finnerty Called on Mrs. Boyle

AND SAID HE WAS A U. S. REVENUE OFFICER

Helped Himself to Cigars and Cigarettes

Michael J. Finnerty, the young man who was arrested at Revere beach last summer for impersonating an officer, was arrested in this city yesterday afternoon by Inspectors Laflamme and Maher and Patrolman Frank Foxon a complaint charging him with larceny. Finnerty is the man, so say the police, who went into the store of Mrs. Boyle in Salem street a week ago and representing himself to be a United States revenue officer, took samples of cigars, cigarettes and tobacco.

The official eye of the police department has been following Finnerty for several days. About two weeks ago he called at a junk store in Middlesex street and asked the proprietor what he was paying for copper wire. He told the dealer that he represented several light and telephone companies and that he had a car load of wire that he wanted to dispose of. The junk man told him he would pay the market price.

The police do not know what Finnerty's motive was at that time, but surmise that he was fishing for money in advance. About a week later Finnerty called at a junk store in School st. and representing himself to be the agent of some iron company, told the junk man that he had several car loads of old junk that he would like to sell. While he was talking with the School street junk man the Middlesex street junk man with whom he had talked about the car load of wire, dropped in and recognized Finnerty. He listened to the conversation for a while and then quietly walked out and meeting an officer told him the story. The officer entered the junk shop and talked with Finnerty and the latter acknowledged that he had called at the junk store in Middlesex street and had offered a car load of wire for sale. The officer telephoned to the police station and explained the situation. Deputy Welch gave the officer a list of questions to ask Finnerty, one of which had to do with his arrest at Revere beach. Finnerty acknowledged the corn. There was no complaint against him at that time, however, and Deputy Welch told the officer to tell Finnerty to get out of town and Finnerty said he would go.

A few days later Mrs. Boyle received a visit from Finnerty with the result that he was arrested yesterday afternoon. The police say that Finnerty is a schemer with a positive dislike for work.

FOUND SOME WHISKEY.

Liquor Officers Brown and Atkinson visited Matthew J. Whelton at 22 Suffolk street last evening and came away with a small quantity of whiskey, which they claim was kept for the purpose of sale. It was not the first visit that the officers had made to 22 Suffolk street since the first of May. Several weeks ago they called there and found a fellow selling whiskey. The fellow was summoned into court and was fined $100. A few weeks later Officer Brown called at the place and got possession of a bottle of whiskey, but Whelon broke the bottle in the officer's hand and the officer didn't succeed in saving enough for evidence. The officers did not meet with any opposition last evening.

FREEMAN ARRAIGNED.

Edward M. Freeman, the old man who was arrested yesterday forenoon on a complaint made by his two daughters, charging him with incest, was arraigned in police court in the afternoon. After listening to the girls' stories Judge Hadley found probable cause and Freeman was ordered in $600 for his appearance before the superior court. Freeman failed to secure bail and went to jail.

CHICKEN AND HORSE THIEF.

The chicken thief who was arrested at South Amherst the 11th, after an exciting chase, and who gave the name George F. Jones, has been identified as Frank Wilson, who is wanted by the Lowell police for horse stealing.

Go to the special sale of millinery at less than half cost at Rose Jordan Hartford's, corner John and Lee streets. Big bargains for every lady.

PANAMA'S $10,000,000.

PANAMA, Jan. 29.—At the session held yesterday morning the constitutional convention approved a measure providing that of the $10,000,000 to be paid to the republic of Panama by the United States for the right to use the canal zone $8,000,000 is to remain untouched for the future benefit of the new republic.

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As the season for the above articles is getting advanced and having a large stock on hand, we have decided to reduce the prices as follows:

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BROKEN HEARTED

Escaped Prisoner Surrendered to Police

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 29.—Hungry and broken in spirit by the efforts of his wife to divorce him, William T. Adams, a well educated young man of Barnstable, Mass., who says he recently escaped from the state reformatory of Massachusetts at Concord Junction, walked into the office of Capt. Miller of the city hall detective force yesterday at noon and surrendered.

"I am hungry and broken-hearted," said Adams, "and am tired of it all. The sooner I go back and am locked up the better."

Detectives Alexander and Linder took charge of the young man. His refined manner and intelligence so surprised them that they doubted that he had ever been in any prison, and detective Alexander questioned him.

He told the detective that he was formerly employed by the Jordan, Marsh company of Boston, and after having tried to get $100 worth of clothing from the store on a forged order was committed to the reformatory for three years. His intelligence and ability soon became known to the heads of the institution and he was made a bookkeeper in the office of the reformatory. He was not watched while at work and on January 11 escaped.

Adams had been married about two years before he was sent to the reformatory and Detective Alexander says that after the young man escaped he sought his wife, only to ascertain that she had applied for a divorce. Unable to effect a reconciliation he came to this city in search of work, but found none. He spent his last cent for a meal on Tuesday.

Capt. Miller communicated with the authorities of the reformatory and expects to hear from them today.

Adams was arrested in Boston in February, 1902, charged with passing a forged order for goods on the Jordan Marsh company. He was convicted and sentenced to the state reformatory, where he remained until Jan. 11 last, when he made his escape in some manner which the officials would not divulge. A reward of $50 is offered for his capture.

LADIES' NIGHT

HELD BY WILLIAM NORTH LODGE LAST NIGHT.

William North lodge of Masons gave its first ladies' night last evening and the event was a success beyond all estimating, it being necessary to stop the distribution of tickets for the affair. From 6.30 to 7 a reception was held by the officers. From 7 to 8.30 supper was served and after the banquet an entertainment and dancing was enjoyed in Colonial hall. Hibbard's orchestra furnished music and the party continued until midnight.

BISHOP GRAVEL DEAD.

NICOLET, Que., Jan. 29—Right Rev. Elphege Gravel, Catholic bishop of Nicolet, died last night. He was appointed in 1885.

If you should be looking around for bargains in millinery, you'll find that you have struck the right place when you call at Rose Jordan Hartford's, corner John and Lee streets.

SMITH BOUNCED

The State Hospital Nurse Relieved of Duty

CAUSE OF HIS REMOVAL NOT STATED

Authorities Dropped Him Rather Suddenly

Thomas Smith, the night nurse who was on duty at the state hospital at Tewksbury when the recent poisoning occurred, has been stripped of his yellow jacket. The hospital authorities declare that Smith's discharge has no connection whatever with the poisoning. The committee appointed to investigate the poisoning exonerated Smith from all blame. Smith's discharge came as a great surprise to him. He was visiting at his old home in Sharron, N.H., and wrote to the hospital authorities stating when he would return to work. A few days later he received a letter informing him that his services were no longer required.

LINCOLN CLUB

APPOINTED RECEPTION COMMITTEE FOR ITS BANQUET.

The Lincoln club held a well attended meeting last night. The club will hold their annual banquet on the eve of Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 11, at Odd Fellows' Temple, Middlesex street. The following members were appointed on the reception committee: Hon. Charles E. Howe, chairman; Hon. Butler Ames, Hon. James H. McKinley, Cyrus Barton, E. S. Eastman, Edwards Cheney, Hon. George E. Putnam, Wm. E. Westall, Wm. E. Badger, James P. Ramsay.

ICE GORGE THIRTY MILES.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 29.—Weather Observer De Main of this city issued a statement yesterday to the effect that the condition of the river and ice gorge on the north branch of the Susquehanna river are critical. Solid, impenetrable ice, extends in one long gorge from Beach Haven, Luzerne county, to Sunbury, a distance of 30 miles, without a break. Conditions at Bloomsburg are improving.

Clean Up Sale of Shoes

To make room for Spring Goods which will arrive soon—splendid chance to secure seasonable goods at less than regular prices.

$2.00 Ladies' heavy double soles in Kid and Patent Tip, reduced down to $1.49
$2.50 Ladies' heavy double soles in Vici and Velour Calf, reduced down to $2.00
$3.00 Ladies' heavy and light soles, Goodyear Welt, made on mannish last, down to $2.50
50c Ladies' Storm Rubbers........ 35c
65c Men's Storm Rubbers, down to........ 45c
$3.00 Men's Box Calf, Vici, Velour, Enamel and Patent Colt, hand-made, down to $2.50
$3.00 Men's Box Calf and Vici, Goodyear Welt, down to........ $1.95

SATURDAY—DOUBLE DARK BLUE STAMPS.

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Children's 70c Rubbers, storm cut, sizes 8 to 10 1-2, Sale Price 19c Pr

Misses' Storm or Low Cut Rubbers, sizes 11 1-2 to 2, Sale Price 19c Pr. Former price 35c.

Children's and Misses' One Buckle Overshoes. Sale Price 49c Pr

Misses' 40c Boston Rubbers, with strap at heels to hold them on. Sale Price 25c Pr

Children's, Misses' and Women's 75c High Knee Leggins. Sale Price 39c Pr

Misses' $1.25 and $1.50 Box Calf Shoes, leather lined. All sizes. Sale Price 98c Pr

Ladies' $1.50 and $2.00 Heavy Solid Leather Box Calf Shoes. Every pair warranted. SALE PRICE $1.29 Pr

Women's and Misses' High 3-Buckle or Button Overshoes. Sold for $1.25 and $1.50. SALE PRICE 59c Pr. Sizes 13 1-2, 1, 2, 3, 3 1-2, 4, 4 1-2 and 5.

Women's and Misses' 40c Rubbers, sizes 2, 2½, 3 and 3½. TO CLOSE 10c Pr

Ladies' 25c and 40c Rubbers. All sizes. SALE PRICE 19c Pr

Ladies' first quality Storm or Low Cut Rubbers, good wide toes. SALE PRICE 29c Pr

Boys' and Youths' 50c Rubbers, sizes 11½ to 5½. Sale Price 29c Pr

Men's 75c Storm or Low Cut Rubbers, good wide toes. All sizes. Sale Price 49c Pr

Boys' $1.00 and $1.25 Overshoes, sizes 2 1-2 to 6. Sale Price 75c Pr

Men's $1.25 wide toe rolled edge Overshoes. All sizes. Sale Price 98c Pr

Men's Heavy Buckle Rubbers for Felts and Leggins. Sale Price 98c Pr

Men's $2.50 High 4-Buckle and Lace Overshoes, rolled edge or plain edge. All sizes. Sale Price $1.98 Pr

Men's $3.00 Leather Lined Waterproof Soled Shoes. All sizes. SALE PRICE $1.98 Pr

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GIRLS POISONED

Four Dead and Nine Others are Dying

BERLIN, Jan. 29—A medical inquiry is being made into a strange case of a number of girls belonging to a cooking school at Darmstadt, who were poisoned recently by eating salad made from canned beans. Fours of the girls are dead and nine are dying. Up to the present the investigation has failed to define the exact nature of the poison, whether it was due to some new plant poison or whether it developed from decomposed meat used in making the salad.

THE REACTION

Country Longs Tried to Liquidate

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 29—The long expected reaction in the cotton market occurred today and country longs went wild in their efforts to liquidate. Their offerings swamped the market for a while and prices went down from 45 to 86 points. The prominent bulls were heavy buyers at the decline and even at the lowest buying offers of a few hundred bales would send the market up 10 points.

BARNEY McLAUGHLIN

BOSTON NATIONALS ARE AFTER LOWELL'S SHORTSTOP.

Director Billings of the Boston National league team is after Barney McLaughlin of the Lowells to play shortstop for Boston next season. He has made several visits to this city, but as yet has not made terms with Manager Lake, who isn't letting a good thing go by without getting the equivalent.

FRENCH CANADIAN

TOLD POLICE ABOUT NEIGHBOR WHO WOULDN'T SHOVEL HIS WALK.

If Alfred Byron, the monologue comedian, whose stories in French-Canadian dialect are pleasing the patrons of the Casto theatre, this week, had been at the police station this afternoon he would undoubtedly have added another story to his list. A fine looking old Frenchman called to complain of his neighbor's negligence in shoveling his sidewalk. "I shovel that sidewalk all next winter," he said, "but this winter I come change my mine because I'll not feel it so well, meself. He'll not shovel it, the sidewalk, cause he try it to come mean trick that's all mad he is."

"Do you live at the further end of the street?" asked Deputy Welch.

"Yes, I'll live it on top the last house," he replied.

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Two Men Arraigned in Federal Court

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—Charged with having intentionally given false testimony at the recent hearing before U. S. Commissioner Hale, when a Chinaman was complained of as being illegally in the United States, Goodman Phillips and Phelan Hollis were arrested today by Federal representatives and held in $500 until February 3. There is also an additional charge of subordination of perjury against Phillips. The Chinaman was one of those arrested in the big raid at Chinatown several months ago, when 200 Chinese were arrested for living in this country without the necessary papers. The alleged false testimony of the defendants was not successful in preventing the deportation of the Chinaman.

WANTS A LOAN

REQUEST MADE BY ST. LOUIS FAIR DELEGATION.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—A delegation from the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, headed by former Gov. D. R. Francis, was given a hearing today before a sub-committee of the committee on appropriations. The representatives of the exposition have asked for a loan of $4,500,000 from the government on condition that the loan be repaid out of the first receipts after the exposition opens. The plan is to have provision for the loan incorporated in the urgent deficiency bill. The senate sub-committee on that bill, consisting of Senators Hale, Allison, Gallinger, Teller and Cockrell, gave the hearing to Gov. Francis, W. H. Thompson, president of the National Bank of Commerce of St. Louis; D. M. Houser, publisher of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat; and Robert Fullerton, of Des Moines, Ia., who was appointed by the secretary of the treasury to audit the expenditures of the government appropriation for the exposition.

TO AVERT LABOR RIOTS.

PARIS, Jan. 29.—The senate has passed a bill authorizing the communes, or townships, to suppress employment agencies, the operations of which have led to rioting by the laboring class, but with certain modifications which render doubtful the ratification of the bill by the chamber.

GENERAL DARR DEAD.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 29—Gen. Joseph Darr, formerly chief of staff of General Rosecrans and provost-marshal-general of the department of Missouri, died here today. He was a prominent member of the Order of Elks.

ALMOST A PANIC.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 29.—A man falling over a chair started a panic in Havlin's theatre last night, but the prompt action of Manager William Garen in turning on the lights and making a speech from the stage prevented a general stampede, and nobody was hurt. The audience was quieted, and he was roundly applauded.

WAREHOUSE BURNED.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 29.—Fire of unknown origin destroyed the Dupont warehouse today. B. F. Avery & Co., dealers in plows, the Metal Wire Manufacturing Co., and the National Metal and Machine Co., lessees, were the principal losers. Total estimated loss on buildings and contents $80,000.

PAID $2,800,000.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The Central Pacific railway company, now a part of the Harriman Pacific system, today paid into the sub-treasury about $2,800,000, representing another installment of its old obligation to the Federal government.

M. ROUVIER MAY RESIGN.

PARIS, Jan. 29—Finance Minister Rouvier may resign as a result of differences with Marine Minister Pelletan over the government purchase of state railroads.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Robinson are rejoicing over the arrival of a bouncing baby boy at their home in South Whipple street.

BECHTEL FAMILY

Makes Serious Charges Against District Attorney

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Jan. 29.—Counsel on behalf of the members of the Bechtel family today made formal complaint before Judge Trexler against District Attorney Edwin J. Lichtenwalner, charging gross and wilful negligence in his conduct of the prosecution of the cases growing out of the murder of Mabel Bechtel and the suicide of Thomas Bechtel.

Mrs. Catherine Bechtel, her daughters and Mrs. Henry Newhard, a neighbor of the Bechtels, made affidavits before Commissioner Leidy alleging that the district attorney was in a state of beastly intoxication during two days of the trial, making a postponement of the case by the court necessary. It is also alleged that he repeatedly kissed Mrs. Bechtel during a visit to the Bechtel home on Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 27, the date of the finding of Mabel Bechtel's body. Mrs. Brobst, Mrs. Bechtel's daughter, alleges that the district attorney made improper proposals to her, and Martha Bechtel swears that Mr. Lichtenwalner endeavored to make an appointment with her. They also allege that the district attorney was intoxicated when he visited the house and that his conduct was highly improper. The papers were filed and the case will come up for a hearing on Monday.

GOVERNOR TAFT

Attended Meeting of the Cabinet

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—President Roosevelt, Secretary Root and Governor Taft were the principal figures at today's meeting of the cabinet. All members except Sec. Hay were present. Gov. Taft remained throughout the session, leaving in company with Secretary Root. The meeting after the transaction of the usual departmental business developed into a farewell for Secretary Root and a reception for Governor Taft to his colleagues as his successor expressing at the same time his personal regret at the severance of official relations which he had so long sustained with the president and members of the cabinet.

President Roosevelt spoke with deep feeling of the retirement of Secretary Root. He wished it understood that while in the circumstances he could make no public expression of his feelings without the appearance of trenching upon propriety he was sincerely indebted to Secretary Root for the great work he had accomplished.

No one, not even a member of the cabinet, would realize the labor, self-sacrifice, generosity and disinterestedness, which had characterized Secretary Root's entire career as a member of the cabinet or how much his devotion to his great task had meant to the administration and to the country. Especially had all this been true of the secretary's work during the past six months, when he had expended lavishly of his energy and ability, without thought of credit to himself, but solely with the idea of advancing the interests of the president, his successor and the people of the United States.

In the president's tribute to the secretary, the other members of the cabinet cordially joined.

During the meeting no reference was made either to the Panama situation or to that in the far east. It is said that this government is not in receipt of any late important news from the Orient.

ONE MAN KILLED

BY AN EXPLOSION OF ILLUMINATING GAS.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 29.—An explosion of illuminating gas beneath the sidewalk on Lonsdale street late yesterday, killed Edward Cull, 29 years old, and endangered the lives of other persons; broke many windows and jarred the foundations of neighboring buildings.

Cull was one of a gang of workmen in quest of a leak in the gaspipe and they had drilled a hole in the concrete sidewalk, through which the gas escaped in small quantity. Following the usual custom, one of the men applied a lighted match, the explosion resulting. Cull leaves a widow and two children.

AGAINST McGUIRE

OKLAHOMA DELEGATE ACCUSED OF ACCEPTING FEES.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 29.—Charges have been filed at the interior department against Bird S. McGuire, delegate in the house from Oklahoma, charging that, in violation of law, he has been prosecuting claims in behalf of Indians and accepting fees therefor while serving as a delegate in congress. The charges have been referred to the department of justice.

NO PARK RAILWAY.

BOSTON, Jan. 29—The construction of a Metropolitan park railway at this time is not advisable, according to a report made to the legislature today by the Metropolitan park commissioners, who were directed to investigate this matter by an enactment of last year.

When George E. Perley, assistant cashier at the City Institution for Savings went home to dinner today he found a little stranger there, a pretty baby girl, born this forenoon. George is the proudest man in Varney street.

HER OLD HOME

Little State Charge Liked It Best

Little Maggie Horney, who was taken from her parents in this city several months ago because they were not in a position to care for her, and placed with a good family in Belmont, left her new home and returned to Lowell a few days ago. The police were asked to look Maggie up and last evening she was taken to the police station and placed in the care of the matron. Today she was taken in charge by State Officer Carlton and returned to the family in Belmont. Maggie will be allowed to return to her parents as soon as they are able to care for her. She is nine years old.

JEAN VALJEAN

Second One Found in Nebraska

OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 29.—Deputies from the state penitentiary yesterday turned a honeymoon into a tragedy by the arrest of a 20th century Jean Valjean for violating a parole, unintentionally, the offender pleaded. They took William Nation, released convict, back to the state Bastile after he had attained to good standing socially and commercially under an assumed name, and before his marriage to a prominent widow of Grand Island, Neb., was a week old.

Nation told Gov. Mickey that he got the idea of beginning life anew and becoming a power in the community under a changed name from a book he read in the prison library—"Les Miserables."

He was on the highway to success when disclosure of his identity happened as the result of an unintentional blunder. When Nation was paroled, three weeks ago, he had three months left to serve of a three-year sentence for larceny.

One of the stipulations of a parole is that the convict shall not leave the capital city. Nation said he was not aware of this. The name he took on leaving Lincoln was William Ritchie. He went first to Hastings and then to Grand Island.

Being well bred and affable and being fond of dress, he found it easy to become liked by the business men and the women who entertain.

Nation opened a fashionable cafe on Third street and wooed and won Mrs. Gustave Ehlers, a widow of means. He had returned from a short wedding journey when his arrest took place.

Nation faced the situation philosophically. He said he was sorry disclosure spoiled his plans. Gov. Mickey says he will either parole or pardon Nation. Mrs. Nation remained at her husband's side during the trouble.

TWENTY YEARS

MAN SENTENCED TO STATE PRISON.

PORTLAND, Me., Jan. 29—Judge Bonney yesterday sentenced Neal D. Brooks of Gorham to prison for 20 years for felonious assault on a child. Francis H. Chadwick for assaulting his own daughter, was given eight years. John C. Odom, Portland's alleged "Jack the Hugger," who was convicted of assault and battery, was given three years. John Reagan of Bridgton, protege of a leading citizen in that town, got four years under convictions of larceny and of being a common thief.

GIRL'S SUICIDE FEARED.

NASHUA, N. H., Jan. 29.—Celina Drain is missing from her home, 90 Lock street, and the police fear she has drowned herself. She is 22 years of age, and has been ill for some time.

HIS LOVE AFFAIR

Archduke Karl Has Proposed Marriage

VIENNA, Jan. 29—It is proving impossible for the imperial family to suppress sensational stories regarding Archduc Ferdinand Karl's love affair with Bertha Czuber, a young woman of this city, 30, famous for her beauty. The archduke is the third son of Archduke Charles Louis, and is the emperor's nephew. He made the acquaintance of the young woman during the last season here, was much in her company throughout the autumn, and at Christmas formally proposed marriage. The girl's father attempted to dissuade the archduke from following out his infatuation, and eventually it was agreed to submit the matter to the emperor, and that meanwhile a provisional engagement should exist. At Prague, where the archduke is stationed in command of the 18th brigade of infantry, an aunt of Bertha Czuber resides. Recently the young woman left Vienna, with the approval of her parents, to visit this aunt, but did not arrive at her destination until the evening of the fifth day following, although the journey is only a matter of a few hours. Whether aware of the course events would take when she began her journey or whether she fell into a trap laid by her high-born lover, cannot be stated; but it is certain that for four days the pair posed as husband and wife in Prague. It is now realized that all prospect of marriage has vanished. Some comedy will be enacted on the pretence of trying to obtain the emperor's consent, but merely for the sake of keeping the girl's family quiet for the present and of throwing dust in the eyes of the public. Yesterday's papers point out insuperable difficulties that stand in the way of such a marriage, since Karl is not very remote from the throne, only four lives standing between him and the succession.

"JACK THE PUNCHER"

UNFOUNDED REPORT HAD IT THAT HE WAS CAPTURED.

The report was current in the street this forenoon that "Jack the Puncher" had been arrested. Some careless handler of the truth started the story on its way and it spread rapidly. The story was not without a name and the young man alleged to have been arrested and identified as "Jack the Puncher" is well known about town. The reporters heard it and they hustled to the police station and surrounded Supt. Moffatt. That gentleman said that he had not heard anything about it. "I wish we could get 'Jack the puncher' "said the superintendent, "but we haven't located him yet." While the superintendent was talking to the reporters his telephone rang and somebody asked if it was true that "Jack the Puncher" had been arrested. "A wrong story travels fast," said the superintendent.

DEATHS

BARRINGTON—James Barrington, aged 68 years, died at his home in North Billerica yesterday. Deceased leaves a wife, three sons, Peter and Roger of North Billerica and William of England, and two sisters, Mrs. Matilda Leahey of Billerica and Mrs. Maria Davis of England.

BURNS—Edna Howe Burns died at her home in Pelham yesterday, aged 24 years. She leaves three brothers and one sister. She was for three years an attendant at the Pinkerton academy in Derry, N. H., and was a graduate of Miss Hard's school in this city.

PARADIS—Pierre Paradis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Paradis, died late yesterday afternoon at his parents' home, 141 Fletcher street, aged 13 years, 6 months and 23 days. The death was due to pleurisy with which he had been ill for two months. He was a bright lad, a pupil of St. Joseph's college, and he was a member of the Angel Guardian sodality. Besides his parents he leaves two brothers and two sisters.

WAS INSTANTLY KILLED.

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—Charles H. Ferguson, 20 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Ferguson of Elliott street, Newton Highlands, was struck by a New York, New Haven & Hartford train on Cook street, Newton Highlands, early last evening, and instantly killed. He was walking along the tracks. One leg was partly cut off and his head was badly cut.

STATUE OF KOSCIUSZKO.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 29.—President Roosevelt today transmitted to congress a recommendation "that the very patriotic offer of the Polish organizations be accepted, and that instead of the statue of Pulaski, there be a pedestrian statue of Kosciuszko placed on one of the four corners of Lafayette square. These four corners thus ultimately would be occupied by statues of Lafayette, Rochambeau, Von Steuben and Kosciuszko."

SPOT COTTON.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—Cotton spot closed quiet, 20 points lower; middling uplands 10.05; middling gulf 10.30; sales, 4100 bales.

THE WEATHER

Local forecast: Cloudy tonight. Saturday, partly cloudy to cloudy but probably fair; warmer Saturday; brisk to high north to west winds.

Any Children?
Then we'll guarantee they have hard colds. No child escapes. It's either a hard cold, the croup, bronchitis, or the whooping-cough. There's but one remedy. It's just what your own grandmother always kept in her house—Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

CLEARING DEBRIS

Children in Danger of Being Hurt

The work of clearing out the debris in the Fellows building in Middle street is being pushed ahead rapidly, though it will be several weeks before the place will be cleared.

Quite a number of children gather around the ruins daily on the lookout for some trifle of which some use may be made at home, and they are a source of annoyance to the workmen who are afraid that the children will get hurt as many times a piece of timber is unearthed out of a pile of debris with the result that the timber comes down with a huge crash. The iron supports in the interior of the building are apt to fall at any moment and probably bring death with them.

ANTI-TOXIN

NEW YORK IS WILLING TO SELL SOME.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—After two weeks' inquiry by the health department of rumors that a trust had been formed to handle anti-toxin, Health Commissioner Darlington has come to the conclusion that there is such a combination, and yesterday gave out a statement in which he offers to sell such surplus of the remedy as the department of health of this city may have on hand to the Chicago department of health and such other cities as may need it. New York city manufactures its own anti-toxin.

PATRIOTIC EXERCISES.

CANTON, O., Jan. 29—Canton people informally but generally observed McKinley's birthday. Special patriotic programs were held in most of the schools and the pink carnation was everywhere in evidence. Stocks of dealers, large early in the day, were practically exhausted by noon.

NON-UNION MEN

Being Hired to Sail Ships

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—The answer of the Atlantic Coastwise Carriers' association to the propositions made yesterday to the Seamen's union in connection with wage reductions, which affects the sailors was forwarded today to Secretary Frazier, of the sailors' organization. Its nature was not made public. Peter H. Crowell, of the firm of Crowell & Thurlow, ship brokers, who is actively identified with the Vessel Owners' association, said today that the carriers were hiring non-union sailors and that no shipping was tied up. The unionists have threatened to strike should the wage reduction continue.

SHARON'S FIREBUG

MANAGED TO START ANOTHER BLAZE.

BOSTON, Jan. 29—Sharon's unknown and much sought for incendiary scored his or her 15th fire within six months, last night, but, unlike the preceding blazes, the damage was slight, although the property threatened was considerable. Charles Brymer, a carriage builder, left his barn about 6 o'clock and half an hour later the building was on fire. The barn adjoins the large dwelling house of Mr. Brymer, and a number of houses are in close proximity.

But the local department was promptly on the scene and stopped the flames before the hay in the loft had ignited. Mr. Brymer was positive that he had left no light in the barn, or that there was anything on the premises from which a fire could have started. The damage to the property amounted to only a few hundred dollars.

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Boston Blend...3 lbs. 72c; 25c lb.
Fine American Coffee.
3 lbs. 50c; 20c lb.
Good Coffee..3½ lbs. 50c; 15c lb.
Crackers
Fig Bars.....10c lb.
English Wine.....10c lb.
Sugar Cookies.....10c lb.
Grandmother's Cookies...10c lb.
Oatmeal Crackers.....12c lb.
Graham Crackers.....12c lb.
Equal Lunch...2 lbs. 25c; 10c lb.
Soda Biscuit....4 lbs. 25c; 7c lb.
Lemon Cakes...5 lbs. 25c; 6c lb.
Ginger Snaps...5 lbs. 25c; 6c lb.
Common Crackers.
5 lbs. 25c; 5c lb.
Teas
Extra Teas...3 lbs. $1.65; 60c lb.
Choice Teas..3 lbs. $1.35; 50c lb.
Fine Teas....3 lbs. $1.00; 35c lb.
Good Teas.....3 lbs. 70c; 25c lb.
Dried Fruits
Best California Prunes.
2 lbs. 25c; 15c lb.
Extra California Prunes.
2½ lbs. 25c; 12c lb.
Choice California Prunes,
3 lbs. 25c; 10c lb.
Fine California Prunes.
4 lbs. 25c; 7c lb.
Good Prunes....6 lbs. 25c; 5c lb.
California Evaporated Peaches,
10c lb.
California Evaporated Apricots.
15c lb.
Evaporated Apples,
10c and 14c lb.
Cleaned Currants,
3 lbs. 25c; 9c lb.
Granulated Sugar .....5c lb.; $4.70 per 100 lb. bag
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THE SUN LATEST 5 O'CLOCK

GIRL DROWNED

She Jumped Into the Nashua River

NASHUA, Jan. 29.—Celeno Doroin, an employe of the Jackson Manufacturing company, and daughter of Bello Doroin, 90 Lock street, where she resided, committed suicide by drowning yesterday afternoon. The girl has been despondent and was probably in a degree insane.

Miss Doroin was missed from her home at 4.30 o'clock and a search was instituted. Her tracks were followed from the foot of Perham street across the Green to the banks of the Nashua river, directly in the rear of the church of St. Francis Xavier. There was a place in the snow where she had apparently sat down on the edge of the bank, then slid down to the ice and walked to an open space in the stream, into which she had evidently thrown herself and was swept by the swift current under the ice below.

The police have investigated the case, but on account of the adverse conditions at this season the immediate recovery of the body is deemed well nigh impossible.

TO RECOVER $20,000.

BANGOR, Me., Jan. 29.—In the supreme court this forenoon, before Justice Emery, the trial was begun of the now famous suit of H. W. Marsh and others against the Great Northern Paper company, an action to recover $20,000. Several other suits are awaiting the outcome of this case. The cause of the action is one dealing with the rights of the defendant corporation to withhold the water in the dams and waterways under its control as against the lumber operators who depend on it for driving purposes. There will a large number of witnesses in the case. The trial, it is expected, will continue for a week at least.

The counsel for the plaintiff are Orville D. Baker of Augusta, J. F. Gould of Oldtown, P. H. Gillin and L. A. Barker of Bangor; for the defense, Chas. F. Woodward and Judge Louis C. Stearns of Bangor.

RUSSO-CHINESE BANK.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29—A branch of the Russo-Chinese Bank Asso. is to be established in this city, a license for it having been issued by the board of bank commissioners. This concern is organized under the laws of Russia with a capital stock of $7,500,000 of which 100 per cent is paid up. Prince H. Outktomsky is president.

RIVER RISING.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Jan. 29.—Conditions of the river are the most threatening this season. It has risen two feet and rivermen expect another rise of seven feet. About fifty barges were forced ashore by the ice remain in peril until they can be floated.

PUBLIC SCHOOL BURNED.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 29—The Park street public school, one of the most important in the city, has been destroyed by fire of unknown origin. Loss $80,000. Several firemen were hurt during the fire.

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BOARD OF POLICE

LAWRENCE OFFICIALS TO BE APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR.

Representative Castle of Methuen, it is said, will introduce into the legislature today a bill to establish a board of police for Lawrence. It is practically the same measure as that introduced into the senate last year by ex-Senator Archie N. Frost, except that it provides for the appointment of the board by the governor, instead of the mayor, and fixes the term of office of the members at three years, instead of six. No referendum clause is attached to the bill.

Accompanying the bill will be a petition containing the signatures of a number of prominent citizens of Lawrence.

FIVE SUSPECTS

ARE BEING WATCHED BY DETECTIVES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—It is stated that the detectives who are investigating the anonymous letters sent to the Southern Pacific Co., demanding $10,000 under threat to dynamite trains have centered their suspicions on five men now in the vicinity of Fresno and that one of them has been picked out as the author of the letters. The men are said to be under surveillance. The detectives say that the activity displayed by the railroad in the effort to apprehend the authors of the plot has frightened the would-be wreckers and that danger of the threats being consummated is entirely past.

STATUE TO SOLDIERS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29—The state of Illinois soon will erect a monument in the National Military park at Vicksburg, Miss., in honor of the 35,000 Illinois soldiers and sailors who participated in the siege of that city from March 29 to July 4, 1863. The structure, expected to cost $150,000, is probably to be constructed of white marble or granite and ornamented with bronze. Bronze tablets on the exterior of the temple will have bas reliefs representing scenes participated in by Richard Yates, war governor of Illinois. The names of all the Illinois soldiers who took part in the seige will fill panels in the interior.

WILL INVEST $4,000,000.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—Richard T. Laffin, who will be general manager of the big American street railway system about to be inaugurated in Manila, has arrived here on his way to the orient. The company he says, will invest $4,000,000 in organizing a street car service of 40 miles which eventually will be extended to suburban districts. One hundred trolley cars will be sent out as a starter.

NO CHOICE YET.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 29.—The Maryland legislature in joint session took another ballot for United States senator with the following result:

Democrats, Isidor Raynor, 35; John Walter Smith, 31; Bernard Carter, 10; E. E. Jackson, 5; Joshua Miles, 4.

Republicans, Louis E. McComas, 32.

Fifty-nine votes necessary to elect.

HOWE CHOSEN AS EXPERT.

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—J. Murray Howe, member of a real estate firm in this city, was selected today by the Massachusetts board of gas commissioners to be its expert in determining the valuation of land on t' several gas companies of the state ch are to be amalgamated into the Boston Gas companies. These are the companies which are now in so much litigation. The gas commissioners have yet to authorize the capital stock of the consolidated organization.

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS.

Among the marriage intentions taken out today were the following: Charles H. Williams (widowed), aged 31, clerk, 7 State street, to Addie M. Kelloy nee Monrey (divorced), 31, 305 Summer street.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Cotton futures opened firm. March 16.10, April 16.30, May 16.40, July 16.43, August 15.85, Sept. offd. 15.25, Oct. 13.00 Dec. 12.55.

Mr. Louis Grunewald, Jr., for some time past the able manager of the M. Steinert & Sons piano firm of this city, is to sever his connection with the firm tomorrow to enter business for himself. He has had long and valuable experience in the business.

DOUBLE STAMPS

Dark Blue or Red, White and Blue

Ladies' High Buckle Overshoes, good toe, first quality	$1.43
Ladies' Low Cut Rubbers, all sizes	17 CENTS
Misses' Low Cut Rubbers, all sizes	17 CENTS
Children's Low Cut Rubbers, all sizes	15 CENTS
Ladies' Storm Rubbers, good quality, all sizes	39 CENTS
Children's Storm Rubbers, first quality, sizes 4 to 10½	25 CENTS
Children's and Misses' Leggings, all sizes	39 CENTS
Men's Rubbers, Storm or Low Cut, all sizes	48 CENTS
Men's Buckle Arctics, all sizes	98 CENTS
Men's Long Canvas Leggings	50 CENTS
Men's House Slippers, all sizes and styles	43 CENTS
Ladies' House Slippers, Beaver and Kid	45 CENTS
Youths', Misses' and Children's Shoes, all sizes	69 CENTS
Men's Fine Shoes, all leathers	98 CENTS
Hair Innersoles, very warm, all sizes	7 CENTS

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GIFT OF $50,000

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FREDERICK FANNING AYER.

Again Has the Wealthy New Yorker Shown His Regard for a Lowell Institution — A New Building to be Erected Without Delay to Enlarge Hospital Work

Frederick Fanning Ayer of New York has made another princely gift to the home city of his ancestors in the shape of $50,000 to the Lowell General hospital for the erection of an additional building for the hospital which is to be a model of its kind.

The gift was made public at a special meeting of the hospital trustees held yesterday afternoon.

President Jacob Rogers called to order and then read the following letter from Mr. Ayer:

New York, Jan. 27, 1904.

To the Trustees of the Lowell General Hospital, Lowell Mass.

Gentlemen: Enclosed herewith please find my check to the Lowell General hospital for fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00,) said sum to be used exclusively for the construction of an additional building for the hospital in accordance with plans which have been approved by me and are made part of this communication.

Respectfully Yours,

(Signed) FREDERICK F. AYER.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

Dr. Stowell then moved the following resolutions which were enthusiastically adopted:—

"Resolved, that the trustees of the Lowell General hospital accept with profound gratitude this princely gift just received from Mr. Frederick Fanning Ayer of New York city, and they feel greatly impressed with this renewed manifestation of Mr. Ayer's great generosity and continued interest in our Lowell General hospital, as evinced by this munificent gift of $50,000, which with his previous donations during the past year to our hospital, aggregate the great sum of $155,000.

"The building which this gift will permit us to erect will, when completed, enable the hospital to do a much greater work than has been possible under our present limitations. And it will be the constant and most earnest endeavor of the trustees to so conduct the affairs of the institution as to merit the continued approval of our most generous donor. It is hoped and confidently expected that, with the aid and generous assistance of our citizens a much larger amount of good can be accomplished than has been heretofore possible.

"Resolved, that we proceed at once to erect the building which Mr. Ayer's munificent gift has made it possible for us to have, and should he approve, our earnest desire is that the building should bear the name of our honored friend and patron—The Frederick Fanning Ayer Building."

The whole question of construction, letting of contract, etc., etc., was referred back to the executive and building committees, with full power.

After the exchange of congratulations among themselves the trustees adjourned.

Mr. Ayer, it is said, has had the gift in mind for some time, but did not make his intentions public until he found out the kind of a building required and its cost.

THE PROPOSED BUILDING.

The proposed building will be located almost directly east of the present building and will be connected with it by a covered passageway 60 feet in length. It will be built of brick and granite, will be 150 feet long, 40 feet wide and two stories high. The first floor will be for the use of women exclusively and the second for men. The front of each floor will be used as a ward in which there will be accommodation for 12 or 16 beds. There will also be eight or ten private rooms on each floor. When fully equipped the new building will have accommodations for about 50 persons.

A maternity department with five private rooms will be established on the first floor in the rear. Overhead will be the operating rooms, fitted up in most modern style, with special rooms for sterilizing, etherizing and for the private use of the surgeons. There will be two operating rooms, a smaller one for emergency cases. The architect is Mr. Taylor of the firm of Kendall, Taylor & Stevens of Boston, who make a specialty of hospital construction.

TUG WENT ASHORE.

PAS QUE ISLAND, Mass., Jan. 29.—Tug G. M. Winslow, towing a barge, went ashore on the Sow and Pigs this forenoon. The Cuttyhunk life saving crew went out to the assistance of the Winslow and her captain requested to be taken ashore. It was brought in and he telegraphed to Vineyard Haven for assistance. He was informed that the tug Dudley Pray would be sent out at once. It is thought that the tug can be pulled off. The barge did not strike but is at anchor near the Winslow.

NOT GUILTY OF MURDER.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 29.—Mrs. Lulu Prince Kennedy Kramer, on trial a second time for the murder in January, 1901, of her first husband, Philip H. Kennedy, was found not guilty by a jury here today. At her first trial she was convicted and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

Domestic Troubles.

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in Stomach and Liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure. 25c at F. C. Goodale's drug store.

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TRADE CONDITIONS

REPORTED FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—Special telegrams regarding the state of trade from correspondents of the International mercantile agency throughout the United States are summarized as follows:

General wholesale orders for spring trade this month in that region are said to be heavier than in any preceding January. More than 155,000 wage earners have gone back to work in Pennsylvania and the lake region within a fortnight. Extraordinarily easy money markets are not likely to continue much longer. Early ratification of the Panama treaty would mean probable payments to Panama and the canal company shareholders. As it stands government depository banks might have to furnish $25,000,000 of the funds needed. Overhanging new capital issues will also tend to advance rates.

Officials interviewed insist that steel rail prices will not be cut and point to the interest of Pennsylvania railroad, through its steel mills, to keep the price up and to light rails being $2 higher. Despite pessimistic reports as to iron and steel, the demand continues to slowly increase, notably for structural steel and basic and forge iron.

All other countries have reached their maximum products of iron that the increase must come from the United States. Prices have been stronger for cattle, rubber, coffee, cotton goods, raw cotton, wheat and corn. Not the least encouraging feature of the business week has been the renewed confidence in a prosperous season due to an improvement in collections. St. Paul, Minneapolis & Duluth unite in reporting an large a volume of orders as at the like period a year ago. The situation is even more favorable than that in the Ohio valley and through the South Atlantic and gulf states.

BOXER DEAD

HE EXPIRED AFTER GOING FIVE ROUNDS.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 29—Charles Andette, aged 31, died last night shortly after boxing five rounds with Thomas Johnson in a Franklin street saloon. It is thought the exertion of fighting caused a blood vessel in his head to burst. Johnson was placed under arrest.

SECOND MEETING

OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS THIS EVENING.

The appropriations committee will hold another meeting this evening and will hear from some of the heads of departments.

PANEL FOUND

IT IS VALUED AT $5000 BY OWNERS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—The original panel from which was taken Sir David Wilkies famous painting "Blindman's Buff," and which was stolen from Lenox library a few days ago, has been found. The panel is valued at $5000. The thief sold it to a 42nd street dealer for $2.50. An actor furnished the first public clew to the find. He happened in the store when the picture was brought in by a stranger and offered for sale at $5.00. The dealer offered half that sum and obtained the picture. Thinking he recognized the panel the actor went at once to the library and examined a lithograph copy which showed that he was right. Returning to the shop, he found that the picture also had been identified by the dealer and arrangements were made for its return to the library.

DANISH ASSOCIATION FORMED.

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Jan. 29—The "Danish Atlantic Islands Association" has been formed with the object of arousing the nation's interest in its outlying possessions and preventing the diminution by sale or otherwise of territory under Danish sovereignty. The movement originated at the time of the proposed sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States and has been strengthened by the reports that Canada desired to purchase Greenland. Many members of the Danish nobility are among the leaders of the agitation for the retention of the West Indies, Greenland, the Faroe Islands and Iceland.

LIKE ARCTIC NAVIGATION.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29—Lake navigation this winter has fitted the crews of the steamers in service for a "dash for the pole," for it combines all the experiences of Arctic navigation. Lake Michigan has at last frozen over, the cold spell of the last few days filling up the widely scattered spots of open water between the ice floes. In most winters there is a wide stretch of open water in midlake.

At many points along the west shore the ice is piled up solid until it reaches from the bottom, forty feet deep, to an equal distance above the water line.

The average temperature for December was eight degrees below normal and thus far in January it has been four degrees. This average has been excelled but once, and that was during the winter of 1876.

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BROUGHT TO LOWELL

REMAINS OF LAWRENCE MAN INTERRED IN CATHOLIC CEMETERY.

The body of Roderick Higgins, formerly of North Billerica, who was asphyxiated by gas at 46 Summer street, Lawrence, Tuesday, was brought to this city this morning for burial by Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

The deceased was formerly employed at the Faulkner mills in North Billerica but of late has been working in Lawrence. He met death by inhaling gas from a radiator, there being a leak in the pipe. Death was accidental. Higgins was well known in this city and was well liked by all who knew him.

The remains arrived in this city this morning and the interment was in the Catholic cemetery, the last rad rites of the Catholic church being administered by Rev. James A. Walsh of St. Patrick's church. Undertaker Molloy had charge of the interment.

BISHOP HENDRICK'S ARRIVES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 29—Rt. Rev. T. A. Hendricks, one of the four newly appointed American Catholic bishops to the Philippines has arrived here on his way to the Islands. Bishop Hendricks comes from Rochester, N. Y. He will be stationed at Cebu.

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EXTRA

5 O'CLOCK

86TH BIRTHDAY

Friends Congratulated Ex-Gov. Boutwell

BROUGHT GIFTS AND GOOD WISHES

Venerable Statesman is Still Active

GROTON, Jan. 29.—Yesterday, a perfect winter day, was the 86th anniversary of the birth of the Hon. George S. Boutwell, one of Massachusetts' first citizens, longer in public life and attaining more distinction than any other of the Old Bay state's living statesmen. The list of his titles proudly won and honorably worn began with that of representative, 55 years ago—of which ex-Gov. Claflin reminded the venerable ex-governor in a note of congratulation—and includes governor, United States senator, secretary of the treasury and all enriched by the responsibilities and successes of many years at the bar, in notable causes, and a public activity quite unparalleled.

Speaking of the character of newspaper work, especially in so far as it related to reporting speeches of public men, he observed that President Eliot was just now under the ban of alleged misquotation, to the disturbance of mind of some of the labor organizations. In his own experience, he said—and it had covered public speaking on many issues for many years—he had never been misquoted as to the essence of his views or utterances, so as to cause him any annoyance or need for correction, nor even as to the form of words—outside the essence of his idea—had there ever been a misquotation so serious as to cause him any disturbance.

The ex-governor, although he could never be accused of being an automobilist, expressed opinions that will be hailed with delight by those people. He stoutly maintained that the auto or motor car was the coming thing; that the electric street railways would not continue their present development and extension, but that capital would go into autos and road improvements, to the end that a comparatively few years would see a fine system of roads all over the country, and motor cars would have forced the horse almost out of business.

On Saturday Governor Boutwell is to be the guest of the Massachusetts club, of which he is a member, by the way, and has been asked to speak upon the history of the republican party. He has not prepared his address on this, which will be anecdotal and reminiscent rather than a didactic narrative or historical record.

Today finds Mr. Boutwell in excellent health, and surrounded by friends, for he held the usual birthday reception when his townsfolk delight to honor him. Gen. William A. Bancroft of Boston and Groton sent his annual greeting of Lawson pinks, one for each year. Other flowers were received, and many letters and gifts. One of the latter was a set of Morley's Life of Gladstone "from the members of the executive committee of the Anti-Imperialist League, not as a committee, but as a group of devoted, respectful and affectionate friends."

The venerable Rev. D. Joshua Young, for 25 years pastor of the Unitarian church here, and lately resigned—himself one of the few living men who were present when John Brown of fame was buried—sent a note in which he said: "The saying, 'Whom the gods love die young' has received a new and better interpretation. We mean 'Whom the gods love are always young.' Among all the gods I know not one is higher than the universal moral law. Whether it has loved you or not, I am sure you have lived it, which will answer every purpose. Happy man in your continuing youth, known and honored as the nation's best."

Ex-Gov. William Claflin wrote in part: "Fifty-five years ago this month I met you in the Massachusetts House of Representatives, then a leading member. From that day to this our relations have been very pleasant. I think there is no one so generally recognized as a statesman of national reputation, who has been so early in the public service and so highly honored by the people."

Two years ago Governor Boutwell received as a birthday gift a magnificent portrait of himself, the gift of 27 gentlemen. Today came a frame enclosing the photographs of 20 of them, and the names of the others were noted under the other pictures. These men were Patrick A. Collins, Albion R. Perry, Charles Fleischer, Winslow Warren, Charles G. Ames, N. Y. Allen, Albert Palson, Gamaliel Bradford, William Lloyd Garrison, A. E. Pillsbury, David G. Haskins, Jr., A. A. Putnam, G. G. Mercer, Thomas Wentworth Higginson, Josiah Quincy, George E. McNeil, Moorfield Story, Edward Everett Hale, Henry W. Lamb, Erving Winslow, Francis A. Osborn, Robert M. Moore, Samuel Bowles, John Ritcher, J. P. Munroe, W. S. Sumner, Edwin D. Mead.

Among callers yesterday were former Senator Frank W. Kittredge, nephew of the late Mrs. Boutwell, and wife, and Mr. Charles F. Baker of Fitchburg, nephew of the governor, member of the Suffolk and Worcester bars.

THREATENING LETTERS

CAUSED GUARDS TO BE PLACED ON TRAINS.

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—The experience of the Southern Pacific Railroad Co. in California in receiving letters demanding large sums under the threat of dynamiting trains is similar to that of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad in this state, Connecticut and Rhode Island, when it was thought necessary recently to have several trains guarded by armed detectives. Although the officials of the railroad did not feel convinced that there was any real danger from those who sent the intimidating communications, guards were provided for several through trains from New York to Boston. No arrests were ever made and no evidence was found that there had been any attempt to carry out the threats made by the writers.

AFTER MICROBES

BERLIN AUTHORITIES ON THE WARPATH.

BERLIN, Jan. 29.—The Berlin municipal authorities have decided to make an attempt to exterminate the microbes in the public libraries, Prof. Koch having called attention to the danger of spreading infectious diseases through books loaned indiscriminately from libraries. The professor's representative, during the former's absence in South Africa, where he is studying the rinderpest for the British government, has drawn up a plan for attacking the microbes which will be submitted to the library committee of the municipal council next Tuesday. It is intended to adopt some method of disinfecting books after their use. The municipal disinfection station will take charge of the matter.

MOTHER IS DEAD

SIX OTHER MEMBERS OF FAMILY FATALLY BURNED.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 29.—As the result of an explosion following an attempt to hurry a fire with carbon oil, Mrs. A. F. Gray, of North Sewickley, is dead; Ethel, a daughter aged 12 years, is probably fatally burned and five other members of the family are seriously injured.

TRIED TO ENLIST

GIRL WANTED TO GO TO PHILIPPINES.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Dressed in a suit of her brother's clothes and with her long brown hair cut short and crammed into a man's wig, May Bondell, 22 years old, of Terre Haute, Ind., has applied to the recruiting sergeant at Fort Sheridan to be mustered into service for the Philippines. The girl broke down when informed that she must undergo the regular physical examination and confessed her sex. Heart-broken at the thought of separation from her sweetheart who is a private in the company, she said that she tried to enlist as a man in order to accompany him and share his danger.

IDEAL PROFESSOR

PRES. HARPER OUTLINES THE QUALIFICATIONS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—The qualifications for the ideal college professor, as outlined by President Harper in a lecture at the University of Chicago on "The Faculty of a College," are:

1. He should be married.
2.—He should be a church member.
3.—He should mix with his students outside the class-rooms.
4.—He should have a doctor's degree.
5.—He should be willing to work hard 11 months in the year.
6.—He should be in sympathy with the public, and take an active interest in public affairs.

"The college professor who is married," said President Harper, "will do three times as much good in his position as one who is single and if he has three or four children he will be still better, for he will be a stronger man."

Look at the show window. Trimmed hats for 48c and 98c at Gregoire's.

WITHOUT BAIL

CYRUS RYAN HELD ON MURDER CHARGE.

HINGHAM, Mass., Jan. 29.—Charged with the murder of Quong Sing, a Chinese laundryman at Hanover yesterday, Cyrus L. Ryan was arraigned in the second district court here today before Judge Kelley. He pleaded not guilty and at the request of Capt. Proctor of the state police the case was continued until Saturday, Feb. 6, at Abington. Ryan was held without bail and taken to the Plymouth jail.

When you stop to think that tea biscuit made at home with

Cleveland's Baking Powder

cost but five cents per dozen, is there any reason for buying at the bakers?

You can't expect to weave white satin with blackened hands, any more than you can expect good results from papers with a bogus circulation.

SKETCH OF MERRY COASTERS ENJOYING THE PREVAILING SPORT SO POPULAR IN BELVIDERE AND CENTRALVILLE SINCE THE COLD WEATHER STARTED.

THE TOWN WINS

Fight Against Street Railway Co. Ended

OAKLAND, Me., Jan. 29.—The contest between the street commissioner of this town and the Oakland and Waterville Street Railway company to determine who shall remove the snow from the streets through which the company's tracks run, has been settled in favor of the former. An agreement was reached today and immediately a large number of men and teams were put to work by the company to remove the snow from the streets.

During the snow storm of Wednesday night the company kept snow plows constantly in motion on their lines and the snow was piled up to a depth of several feet on either side of the tracks. When the company refused to remove the snow from the streets the commissioner ordered out scrapers and men and piled the snow back on the car tracks only to have it thrown up again by the company's plows. All day the warfare continued, but when the commissioner threatened to call out the fire department and wet down the tracks the company capitulated.

HAPPY MOTHER'S TOUCHING STORY

Of Baby's Dreadful Suffering from Eczema.

CURED BY CUTICURA.

Now His Skin Is as White as a Snow Flake.

"A terrible rash broke out on Charlie's poor little face and spread to his neck, chest and back. I had never seen anything quite like it before," writes Mrs. Helena Rath of 821 10th Ave., N. Y. City. "The skin rose in little lumps,

and matter came out. My baby's skin was hot, and how he did suffer. He wouldn't eat, and night after night I walked the floor with him, weak as I was. Often I had to stop because I felt faint and my back throbbed with pain. But the worst pain of all was to see my poor little boy burning with those nasty sores. At last I was persuaded by a friend across the street to try the Cuticura Remedies. She gave me some Cuticura Ointment—I think the box was about half full—and a piece of Cuticura Soap. I followed the directions, bathing Charlie and putting that nice Ointment on the sores. Little by little, but so surely, Charlie and I both got more peace by day and more sleep by night. The sores sort of dried up and went away, and now Charlie is cured completely."

"Yes, that fat little boy by the window is Charlie, and his skin is as white as a snow flake, thanks to the Cuticura Remedies. I think everybody should know about the Soap and Ointment, and if it is going to help other mothers with sick babies, go ahead and publish what I have told you."

Sold throughout the world. Cuticura Resolvent, 50c. (in form of Chocolate Coated Pills, 25c. per vial of 60). Ointment, 50c. Soap, 25c. Depots: London, 27 Charterhouse Sq.; Paris, 5 Rue de la Paix; Boston, 137 Columbus Ave. Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props.

Send for "All About the Skin, Scalp and Hair."

MEN RESCUED

WERE BLOWN ALONG WITH AN ICE FLOE.

NANTUCKET, Mass., Jan. 29.—The steamer Petrel reached port early today with Louis McGarvey, a fisherman, and Alonzo Chase, both of Nantucket, who were imprisoned in the ice yesterday. The men were being blown along with an ice floe towards the open sea through the passage between Nantucket and Tuckernuck islands, the steamer finding them just in time to save their lives. Both men were exhausted by exposure and through their efforts to get the boat out of the ice. The cathout left Vineyard Haven yesterday morning for Nantucket but became imprisoned in the ice near Esl Point. The steamer Petrel spent two hours searching among the ice fields drifting north of the island last night before the men were rescued.

PLENARY POWERS

GRANTED TO GOVERNOR OF PROVINCE OF TVER.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 29—The czar has granted Minister of the Interior Von Plehwe and the governor of the province of Tver special plenary powers over the local officials of Tver in consequence of the latter's subversive tendencies. The government has been aware for some time that the administration of Tver was showing in various ways sympathy with the opponents of the existing order of things. Recently the local authorities appointed teachers in the national schools who took advantage of their position to stir up agitation against the government and religion. This was the immediate cause for granting the plenary powers, which permit the minister and the governor to make appointments to district offices, which have hitherto been elective, to prohibit meetings, to expel obnoxious persons, to dismiss officials considered dangerous to public peace, etc.

ON QUESTIONS OF LAW.

In the supreme judicial court this week a hearing on questions of law in the case of McGonigle Bros. against the Victor H. J. Belle Isle company, was held. The decision was reserved.

WILL NOT FIGHT DUEL.

MADRID, Jan. 29.—The dispute which occurred in the chamber yesterday, between War Minister Linares and Deputy Soriano, resulting in sending seconds to each other has been settled without necessitating a duel between the principals.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY.

The members of the Jolly Five and their friends to the number of about 40 conducted a very enjoyable sleighride party to Parker hotel, Nashua, last evening. Upon arriving there a fine turkey supper was served. A very interesting musical program followed, including mandolin solo, Miss Effie Gray; piano selections, Mamie M. Gilley; duet, James Hancock and John Dolan; violin solo, Mamie Welch; comic recitation, Margaret Barry and Katie Dolan; laughing song, James Rice; piano solos, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bixby; song, Lizzie Freeman; song, Perley Bixby. Dancing was then enjoyed, continuing till 3 o'clock, when the party left for home, arriving here early in the morning. The ladies in charge of the affair were Misses Effie Gray, Mamie Welch, Maggie Barry, Katie Dolan and Mrs. Roger Bixby.

FIVE-ACT DRAMA

PRESENTED, IN NASHUA BY NATIONAL GUARDS OF LOWELL.

The following is from the Nashua Telegraph:

The National Guards of Lowell presented a five-act drama at the Nashua theatre Wednesday evening under the auspices of Court Rose de Lima, F. P. U., of this city. The play was in French therefore it was attended by the French residents of the city, of which there were a large number present.

The National Guards is a military organization but during the winter they present plays in the surrounding cities and their performances are always largely attended. It is considered one of the best amateur companies in this section of the country. The acting compares very favorably with some of our professionals and the members were greatly applauded last evening.

The play was entitled "The Smokers," and the scenes were laid in Mexico. Most of the characters were Spanish. The play had a very deep plot, but there was some comedy. Between the acts there were specialties, which consisted of selections by the orchestra and readings by George Labranche, Arcade Brunelle, George Carpenter and Wilfred Richards.

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This New Remedy works like Magic, but is absolutely harmless. Weigh yourself before taking.

Price, 50 cts.; 12 boxes, $5.00, by mail. We will cheerfully refund the money if you are not benefitted. Try it and be convinced.

For sale by Falls & Burkinshaw, 413 Middlesex street.

TWO FRAUDS.

The merchant who would try to sell a pair of shoes without opening the box in which they came from the factory, would be regarded as a fraud and a trickster, and the newspaper which denies to the advertiser all the information he desires in reference to its circulation, must not expect the confidence of its patrons.

THEIR METHODS

The Bank Commissioners After Gage and Goggin

NASHUA, Jan. 29—In the investigations that are being made in the affairs of the Nashua Trust company of this city, it has been learned that in 1897 or 1898 the bank commissioners censured the company directors, expressing themselves at the time as disliking the methods of George E. Gage and John P. Goggin, former treasurer. George A. Ramsdell was governor at the time. Gage left the directorate in 1896.

PUGILIST OUT OF DANGER.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 29.—Ben O'Grady, the Buffalo pugilist who was knocked out at the Detroit Athletic club, last night by Noah Brusse of this city, and then removed for treatment to Harper hospital, was reported out of danger today. Brusse will no longer be detained by the police.

SHOT HIMSELF.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 29.—Jeremiah G. Farwell, son of one of the most prominent capitalists of Detroit, died in Harper hospital today, from a bullet wound through his stomach, fired it is supposed with suicidal intent. He was found at the Woodward avenue car barns early today with blood flowing from the wound through his stomach and a revolver beside him. No reason for his suicide is known. He was 36 years of age.

THE STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The stock market opened easy. Amalgamated Copper, 48¾; Atchison, 69¾; Baltimore & Ohio, 84; Brooklyn Transit, 43¾; Canadian Pacific, 118½; Erie, 27⅝; do. first pfd., 86⅞ ex div.; Manhattan, 144; Missouri Pacific, 94; New York Central, 119½; Norfolk & Western, 61⅛; Ontario & Western, 28¾; Penna., 130⅝; Reading, 46; Rock Island, 24¾; Sugar, 127¾; St. Paul, 144½; Southern Pacific, 60¼; Southern Railway, 22⅝; Union Pacific, 80⅝; U. S. Steel, pfd., 56½; Wabash pfd., 30¾.

BIG PAY ROLL

Street Dept. Employs More Men

Twenty-five additional men went to work on the street department this morning and the entire crowd will work until 10 o'clock tonight. The pay roll for last week was $2200 and this week's will reach $6000.

WILL TAKE CHANCE

MINISTER WILLING TO STAY IN BURNING MAGAZINE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29—"To prove that large numbers of cartridges are not dangerous in case of fire, I am willing to station myself in a room where 1,000,000 cartridges are stored in wooden boxes, and let a fire be started and rage there."

The Rev. William K. McKibben, who was superintendent of a cartridge company before he entered the ministry, has made this offer to a committee appointed by the fire department to determine whether the magazines of ammunition in stores will endanger firemen while the structures are burning.

"It will be nothing new," resumed the Rev. McKibben, when the committee had recovered from its astonishment. Several years ago when the company's storehouse burned and 1,000,000 rounds of loaded gunshells were destroyed by fire, I was in the thick of it and did not get a scratch."

The experiments will probably be made next week at the foot of Randolph street. If the cartridges are found to be dangerous the merchants say they are willing to keep them in fireproof vaults in the suburbs.

Altar Candles at C. B. Coburn & Co.'s.

ARTISTS' MODEL FOUND DEAD.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—William Webb, the oldest artists' model in this city, has been found dead in his room from heart trouble. He was 80 years old and owing to his remarkable physique became widely known among artists.

Layers of Eggs during fall and winter, pay big profits. To make layers, give the hens daily

Sheridan's CONDITION Powder

It helps the older hens, makes pullets early layers, prevents sickness and is always safe and sure. In use over 30 years.

If you can't get it, we send, prepaid, one pack, 25c; five $1. A 2 lb. can $1.25; six, $5. Sample of best poultry paper free.

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100 on 1 lb. 50c Baking Powder.
60 on 1 lb. 60c Tea.
20 on 1 lb. 20c Coffee.
10 on 1 package 14c Force.
10 on 1 package 14c Cero Fruto.
5 on 1 package 10c Presto.
10 on 1 lb 15c Butterine.

On Green, National, Red, White and Blue.

50 on 1 lb 50c Baking Powder.
30 on 1 lb. 60c Tea.
10 on 1 lb. 20c Coffee.
5 on 1 lb. 15c Butterine.
5 on 1 package 14c Force.
5 on 1 package 14c Cero Fruto.
3 on 1 package 10c Presto.

BEST TEAS OF ALL KINDS.

Challenge Milk ..... 8 cans for 25c
Peas ..... 3 cans for 25c
Tomatoes ..... 8c, 3 cans for 25c
Strawberries ..... 12c a can
Pears ..... 10 a can
Mince Meat ..... 8c a package
Best Round Steak ..... 2 lbs. for 25c
Best Roast Pork ..... 10c a lb
Best Sirloin and Rump Steak ..... 18c lb
Best Leg of Lamb 18c

TRY OUR BUTTERINE.
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Prints ..... 15c a lb
Tubs ..... From 11c a lb up

THE SUN EXTRA

6 O'CLOCK

ANOTHER STRUGGLE

New Phase of the U. S. Shipbuilding Litigation

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—According to statements of opposing counsel in the United States Shipbuilding litigation, the report in circulation that the expiration of the agreement today under which shipbuilding bonds were deposited in the Sheldon Syndicate to effect a reorganization, instead of influencing a settlement of the litigation, may be the signal for a struggle for the possession of the bonds deposited with the syndicate now subject to withdrawal is erroneous and that the expiration of the Sheldon syndicate has no relation to the plan of reorganization which remains unaffected by that event and under which plan the bonds will remain deposited. Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the bondholders' protective committee, denied this and said he had no doubt of the right of every member of the syndicate to the immediate return of his bonds. He understood some syndicate members had not consented that their bonds remain on deposit with the committee and these he thought would have no difficulty in forcing the return of their bonds "for reasons," he said, "with which Mr. Cromwell is very familiar and which it is unnecessary at this time to state publicly."

One conclusive reason why the Sheldon committee will not be able to hold the bonds against the protest of the syndicate members, he said, was that the Sheldon plan had been abandoned. If any new plan was presented radically different from that the bondholders would, of course, have the right to withdraw their bonds.

Notices are said to be in preparation for service today upon the trust company, which is the depository for the Sheldon syndicate not to deliver the bonds held by it to the Sheldon reorganization committee. Other notices will be served tomorrow (the Sheldon syndicate expiring tonight) upon the same institution on behalf of a large number of bondholders who deposited their bonds with it, demanding a return of the bonds to them. If the trust company refuses to return the bonds, it is said, suit will be at once begun against it for the face value of the bonds.

James B. Dill, counsel as well as a director for the Commonwealth Trust Co., attended the conference of the Sheldon syndicate and protested against the proposed plan recently put out, which would wipe out all stock, on the ground that the Commonwealth Trust Co. has a large deposit of stock with the committee. That company served notice that it will not be bound by the new plans of reorganization.

SKELETON KEYS

Found in Possession of a Woman

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Fifty skeleton keys found in her sealskin sacque and the fact that she is accused of rummaging another woman's apartments might lead one to believe that Mrs. Annie Schwab is a female "Raffles." She eks out no precarious livelihood anway, for she had $87 when she was caught, and yesterday she gave a check for $700 to her lawyer so that he might deposit her cash bail with the city chamberlain.

The complainant against Mrs. Schwab is Mrs. Bridget Gorman, janitress of a tenement house at 1 Thompson street. She lives on the second floor. Mrs. Gorman left her rooms at 1 o'clock last Wednesday afternoon, and when she returned at 3 o'clock she was unable to open the rear door of her rooms.

She discovered that a key had been put into the lock from the other side. As she stood there the key was removed and Mrs. Gorman heard steps in the room. She quickly opened the door and entered just in time to see a woman disappear into the parlor. On the bed was laid out nearly everything of value in the apartment which was portable. Wrapping paper and twine at hand showed that preparations had been made to make a package of the loot.

Mrs. Gorman ran into the parlor and saw a tall woman wearing a sealskin sacque disappear through the kitchen door, which opened into the outer hall. Mamie Gorman, the 10-year-old daughter of the janitress, met the intruder on the stairs, and hearing her mother's cry for help, seized her by the skirts. Mrs. Schwab pushed the child over, and made her way to the street, with Mrs. Gorman in pursuit. Mrs. Schwab turned into Canal street. A truckman who saw the chase ran out in front of Mrs. Schwab. A swift blow in the chest landed him on his back in the street. The fugitive dodged and another truckman seized her. He received several heavy blows on the jaw, but he held his prisoner until Mrs. Gorman came to his aid and a policeman arrived.

"Lady Raffles," as the police call her, gave her address as Philadelphia.

FORGER QUEEN

Says She Lied to Save Jim

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Facing the jurors without fear, looking directly at them as if she felt her future depended on the impression she made on them, Mabel Parker sat in the witness chair in general sessions court yesterday and denied many of the statements made by witnesses for the prosecution, which is endeavoring to convict her of forgery.

Of unusual intelligence, and a convincing talker, the girl held their interest, and even the objections of Assistant District Attorney Train and the directions of Judge Foster could not force her to answer questions except in her own way. She was under cross examination by Mr. Train and seemed to be on the verge of tears when the prosecutor stopped abruptly and, addressing the judge, said:

"I do not wish to examine any witness who is not in a condition to answer questions. This witness seems to me to be very much fatigued."

Judge Foster agreed with him and the trial was adjourned until today, when the case will go to the jury when the girl's cross examination is ended and a few other witnesses are called. Mabel Parker told of her early life and of her marriage to James Parker, who has pleaded guilty of forging the check which, it is contended, his wife forged. She said, speaking of her arrest, that she knew Detective Peabody was a policeman, though he had introduced himself as William Hickey, a former convict, who had been in the Elmira reformatory with her husband.

"After he told me my husband could be kept from prison if I could be shown that someone else had committed the forgery, I told him that I had forged the check, hoping to save Jim. I wasn't thinking of myself. I wanted to get Jim out of trouble."

Several witnesses were called before the prosecution closed its case. Among them was Walter J. Kinsley, a handwriting expert. As he left the stand Mr. Le Barbier, the lawyer for the defence, turned to his associate and said, in a low tone: "I don't think much of him; he's a tin soldier."

This was overheard by Assistant District Attorney Train, who called Judge Foster's attention to the remark. "That was a most improper remark," said the judge to the lawyer "and counsel should have known better. I shall not reprimand you again, Mr. LeBarbier, but at the next offence I shall fine you $25."

In opening for the defence Mr. Le Barbier contended that his client was the victim of her husband's wiles. Two nurses from North Brother Island said Mabel was a patient in the hospital there at the time Sweeney, a witness, swore he had seen her practising signatures.

WAS HOMESICK

KOBERLE DIED AT HOME OF FRIEND.

ATTLEBORO, Jan. 29.—Edward Koberle, aged 53, a native of Germany, who had been in America only two months, was found dead yesterday at the summer place of Victor Gelb of Providence, located in Seekonk. Koberle was visiting there, and had been seriously ill ever since coming to this country.

He planned to start Wednesday to return to Germany, and he was to have called on Providence acquaintances before his departure. His failure to do so caused persons to go to the Seekonk place yesterday, and to their surprise he was found dead. Medical Examiner Holden decided that the man had died of heart failure. Friends of the dead man say his illness was due more to homesickness than to any other ailment, and they think his craving to get back to his native land was the real cause of his death.

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McKINLEY DAY

The Members of Congress Wore Carnations

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—A carnation adorned the lapel of the coat of nearly every member of the house today in commemoration of the late President McKinley's birthday. The chaplain referred feelingly to the late president, saying:

"We thank Thee, O Heavenly Father, for the beautiful life and character of our beloved McKinley, whom we remember with grateful hearts today for the things that he did in his life and for the beautiful example of Christian character and fortitude he left behind him to us in his death. So move, we beseech Thee, upon the hearts of men, of Thy children, that truth and righteousness and good will shall reign everywhere in and through the spirit of the Lord."

Mr. Thayer (Mass.), rising to a question of personal privilege, said his attention had been called to a statement that he assumed full responsibility for a resolution introduced by him proposing an amendment to the constitution to keep land always nearly equally divided among all the people.

The resolution, he said, was introduced by him by request and was so marked, but the print of the resolution failed to show the words "by request." He said he had no interest in or sympathy with it, and in fact had not read it. A reprint was ordered to show the correction.

The house went into committee of the whole with Mr. Tawney (Minn.) in the chair and resumed consideration of the urgent deficiency bill. The reading of the bill under the five minute rule was begun, when Mr. Hill (Conn.) made a point of order against the paragraph appropriating $100,000 for the expenses of the commission on international exchange appointed to bring about a fixed relationship between gold standard and silver using countries. He contended that it was new legislation and that the item put it in the bill last session for the commission was placed there by the senate contrary to the rules of the senate and house. Mr. Lind asked if the paragraph committed the government to international bimetalism.

"Not at all," replied Mr. Hemenway.

Mr. Hill remarked that that would be the effect of it.

The point of order was sustained and the item was struck out.

IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Mr. Hoar was in the senate today for the first time since the death of his wife a month ago.

The democratic caucus resolution calling on the president to inform the senate whether all the papers in possession of the executive department bearing upon the Panama resolution had been sent to the senate, was immediately taken up, the especial question under consideration being the motion of Mr. Cullom to add a clause relieving the president of the necessity of supplying the documents if considered incompatible with the public interest.

Mr. Cockrell contended that the senate had no right to ask for information concerning a treaty while it was under negotiation, but it had the right to all possible information after the negotiation was completed and the treaty sent to the senate. Mr. McLaurin spoke in support of the resolution and in opposition to the amendment. He protested against the charge that the resolution had been introduced for party advantage but added that the best way to place the republican administration in a proper light before the country was to make public all the facts bearing upon the Panama affair.

Referring to the treaty with Panama, Mr. McLaurin said that "the very first article of the treaty is a declaration of war against Colombia if Colombia sees proper to assert its authority in the face of the United States," and he argued that this being so the senate should have full information as to whether the United States had done anything in establishing the government of Panama that would justify us in taking the responsibility of provoking a possible war.

The vote was then taken on the Cullom amendment inserting the discretionary clause and the motion prevailed 39 to 20, a party vote with the exception of Mr. McEnery who voted with the republicans.

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WANTS CONSERVATOR

DR. SIMONDS OF DORCHESTER PRESENTS PETITION.

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—John A. Potter has been appointed conservator of Dr. John L. Simonds of Freeport street, Dorchester district, on account of his irresponsibility by reason of advanced age, by Judge Grant in the Suffolk county probate court. Dr. Simonds, who is 80 years of age, has an estate of the value, it is believed, of about $150,000. He and his wife, Mrs. Sarah Simonds, have lived apart for substantially 30 years. In 1899 she was granted a decree, ordering him to pay her $150 a month for her separate support. This decree remained in force until January, 1903, when the amount was reduced to $100 a month because of a depreciation in his property. Mrs. Simonds had brought a petition for the appointment of a conservator to take charge of his property for him, but he himself applied for it later, and it was on his petition that the conservator was appointed. Matthews, Thompson & Spring for Dr. Simonds; J. F. Cronan for Mrs. Simonds.

THIRTEEN YEARS IN PRISON.

MANILA, Jan. 29—George Hermann, the ex-inspector of constabulary who robbed the government and fled from Misamis, Mindanao, and was subsequently captured at Bayanana, has been convicted and sentenced to thirteen years' imprisonment.

SHIPPING HELD UP.

NEWPORT, R. I., Jan. 29.—The west passage of Narragansett bay was again frozen today, causing great inconvenience to shipping. The steamer General running from Newport to Wickford, was caught in the ice during the forenoon near Wickford. The tug Solicitor was despatched to her assistance.

POST OFFICE CASES

Witness Tells of Machen's Close Relations

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29—When the trial of the post office cases was resumed today the examination of Miss Ina Liebhardt, chief clerk of the free delivery service, who was on the stand yesterday, was continued. She testified that Machen, during most of his term, was in consultation and close touch with the first assistant postmaster general; that Postmaster General Smith once gave directions for Machen to report direct to him. It was usual, she testified, to grant tests to persons who had patented device which they wanted to have tested by the government. Orders, she added, have been given by telephone and by pencil memoranda in other matters than the Groff fasteners. Mr. Douglas offered in evidence a number of blank forms, letters and other documents bearing on the Groff fasteners. He said they were to show the methods and the basis by which the number of letter boxes and fasteners were determined for the various routes. District Attorney Beach objected. The court overruled the objection and admitted the evidence.

Miss Liebhardt testified that she had never seen Diller B. Groff, but she had seen Samuel A. Groff at the department. Machen, she said, had dictated to her letters to Lorenz, but he always signed these. Witness was asked if she was the only chief clerk who signed the initials of the chief of the bureau. She said she thought not.

Attorneys Maddox and Douglas took the stand in succession. Mr. Maddox corroborated by Mr. Douglas testified that he went to the post office department last October as counsel for the Groff brothers to inspect papers in the case; that inspector Mayer handed him the Groff statement on which he discovered the letter "N" of the word Machen had been erased. Mr. Maddox said he would show the significance of this discovery later.

Diller F. Groff, son of Diller B. Groff, testified regarding what he had done as clerk for the Groff brothers while they had the letter box fastener contract.

His testimony was intended to bring out the arrangements made between his father and Lorenz to show that the fasteners were installed in Washington before Groff knew Lorenz and other matters. The government objected to much of the testimony as irrelevant.

FOR CLEVELAND

RICHARD OLNEY IS SO CLASSED.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 29.—According to a local newspaper, former Secretary of State Richard Olney of Massachusetts, who is in Washington to attend the meeting of the trustees of the Peabody educational fund, is still of the opinion that Grover Cleveland should be the democratic nominee for the presidency.

Mr. Olney is stopping at the Shoreham. Asked yesterday for his reasons in believing the former president should be renominated, he is reported as saying:

"I can only repeat what I have already said. There is no democrat in the country who has as much strength among the conservative people as Mr. Cleveland. I am still satisfied that if he were nominated he would be elected."

The former secretary had no second choice, and he declined to discuss the position of William Jennings Bryan in regard to the Chicago and Kansas City platforms, and his intention to antagonize the eastern democrats, or "reorganizers," as he terms them.

A FUEL FAMINE.

MANILA, Jan. 29.—The prohibition of coal exports by the Japanese government threatens to create a fuel famine in this city.

CHANGES ITS NAME.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The Commercial Advertiser announces this afternoon that beginning on Feb. 1, it will be sold for one cent instead of two cents, and that its name will be changed to the Globe and Commercial Advertiser.

The change is of historic interest in that the name Commercial Advertiser has been used for 107 years. The publishers announce it is reluctantly subordinated because in these days of trade journalism it is misleading to persons unfamiliar with the scope of the paper.

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Cause of the Harwick Mine Explosion is Known

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 29.—Mine Inspector Cunningham is satisfied he has discovered the cause of the explosion at the Harwick mine and the room in which it occurred.

It has been the theory of the inspectors that the gas was lighted by a defective shot, one that was not properly tamped and which threw a bit of burning paper from the hole drilled in the coal. This was confirmed in a room in the south left entry where a hole was found in the coal showing that the tamping had been blown out and that the shot was ineffective. Near this point was found the lamp of Boss J. A. Gordon, who was also the head shooter in the mine.

The mine had given up 114 dead at noon. Preparations are already making for an early resumption of work at the mine. The company expects to start again in two weeks or as soon as the bodies have been all removed, the mine inspected and repairs made.

ANOTHER BLAZE

Women Hysterical at Chicago Fire

CHICAGO, Jan. 29—Notwithstanding recent experiences with smoke and flames, tenants of the Masonic temple, a 20-story structure, failed to scare today when a fire broke out in the Cosmopolitan building adjoining. On the upper stories of the Cosmopolitan a number of women became hysterical and blinded by the smoke made efforts to spring from the windows. Cooler heads, however, prevented this and the women were carried down the fire escapes. Miss Herma Verba was severely burned. Chemicals she was mixing on the sixth floor exploded and caused the fire. The woman, in a dying condition, was carried down a fire escape. Several other persons were burned, but not seriously. The fire was confined to the fifth and sixth floors.

COMMITTED SUICIDE

MAN WAS CRAZED BY SEPARATION.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 29.—William E. Cohrs was married on Monday, left his bride on Tuesday and killed himself on Wednesday, leaving a letter apologizing for the trouble he was causing the hotel where he shot himself. Cohrs was 25 years old and a commercial traveler, employed by a firm in Park place, New York city. He lived with his mother at 67 Cambridge avenue, Jersey City. He married Miss Carrie Briggs of 365 Tremont street, Boston, on Monday and left her on Tuesday for a trip of several months, extending as far west as Texas.

He left five letters. These were directed to his wife, mother, mother-in-law, the firm he worked for and the proprietor of the hotel. To the hotel proprietor he wrote:

"Kindly send me and my trunk to my mother's home on Cambridge avenue, Jersey City. I am sorry to have caused you all this trouble. The reason for this is that I was obliged to leave my wife."

Cohrs' wife and a sister, who did not know he had been married, met for the first time by his body here yesterday. It is supposed he was mentally deranged, as he had just received an increase of salary and had no known trouble.

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BUCKET SHOPS

Petition Against Them in the Legislature

BOSTON, Jan. 29—With but one day remaining in which to call upon the legislature for relief from existing laws or the establishment of new ones, bills, petitions and resolves flowed into the offices of the clerks of both houses today as never before in the history of the state. Among the more important measures today were a so-called "bucket shop" bill, prohibiting the transaction in securities unless actually delivered; also a bill repealing the present law pertaining to boxing by private clubs. Scarcely a city or town in the commonwealth has not asked for some addition to its powers.

GOVERNOR TAFT

WILL TAKE THE OATH OF OFFICE ON MONDAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—It has been arranged that Gov. Taft shall take the oath of office as secretary of war at noon Monday at the war department. Secretary Root will be with him to turn over the conduct of the business to his care and Lieut. Gen. Chaffee will introduce to the new secretary the various military officers conducted with the general staff and military chiefs of bureaus while Chief Clerk Scofield will perform a like service for the civilian bureau officers.

SECRETARY RUSSELL

HAS CHARGE OF LEGATION AT PANAMA.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—W. W. Russell, at present secretary of legation at Caracas, Venezuela, has been appointed charge of the American legation at Panama and he will conduct the business of the latter legation after the departure of Minister Buchanan who sails from Colon next Tuesday for the United States. Mr. Buchanan will resign as soon as he reaches Washington in accordance with the understanding he had when he accepted the mission to Panama. Mr. Russell probably will be named to succeed Mr. Buchanan.

MAN DECAPITATED

HIS BODY FOUND IN A FREIGHT YARD.

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—Michael A. Comerford, 62 years old, was found upon the tracks of the Boston & Albany railroad, in the freight yard near Albany street, yesterday afternoon, with his head cut off. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertaker Jones on Lagrange street, and the medical examiner notified. From papers found in the dead man's pocket his identity was fully established.

Mr. Comerford was a native of St. John's, N. F., where he was a retired letter carrier. He came to Boston about Nov. 1 on a visit to his niece, Mrs. C. Starrett of 109 F street, South Boston, and it was his intention to return to his home in the spring. His niece stated last night that the old gentleman has been in the habit of taking walks every afternoon, usually going down to the pier at the point or along the water front, but on leaving the house yesterday afternoon he said he thought he would walk toward the city. She thinks he wandered on to the railroad tracks and becoming bewildered was struck by a train.

ANOTHER LETTER

RECEIVED BY MAYOR HOWE FROM AN ANONYMOUS WRITER.

Mayor Howe has received another letter from his anonymous correspondent in regard to the investigation of the street and other departments, but like the others contained no name and address to guarantee good faith and hence it passed as did the others to the waste basket.

ON SHORT TIME.

HOLYOKE, Mass., Jan. 29.—The coarse goods departments of the Lyman cotton mills here were placed on a four days a week schedule today owing to the high price of cotton. Four hundred hands out of 1800 employed are affected.

LAWYER GUILTY

He Took Bonds Valued at $20,000

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Albert M. Fragner, a Brooklyn lawyer, pleaded guilty today to an indictment charging grand larceny in the first degree in having taken bonds valued at $20,000, which were held in trust for Emil and Edith Kalner, minor children of the late Otto Kalner, an importer.

Hugo Wuntzelius, guardian of the children, entered the complaint, after which Fragner married an older sister of the Kalner children and a settlement out of court was sought but prevented by the district attorney and Judge Aspinwall. The maximum penalty is ten years' imprisonment or $1,000 fine or both and Fragner will be arraigned for sentence on Monday.

COLONEL BENTON

MAY BE SENT TO REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 29.—It appears to be the opinion of members of the Massachusetts delegation in the house, among whom there has been some discussion of probable delegates-at-large from that state to the republican national convention, that Senator Lodge, ex-Gov. W. Murray Crane and Edwin U. Curtis, ex-mayor of Boston, are certain to be chosen, and that Col. Everett C. Benton of Waverley is the most likely selection for the fourth place. Either Senator Lodge or ex-Gov. Crane will be chairman of the delegation. There may be a contest over the choice of fourth delegate, some of the representatives say, but Col. Benton, according to reports received here, is regarded as most likely to be selected.

It is understood that the friends of Gen. William F. Draper and ex-Gov. John D. Long will make an effort to have their favorite named for membership on the delegation. Col. Benton, however, according to the opinion here, has received reports from all parts of the state that warrant the belief that he will be made one of the delegates-at-large.

All of the men named as probable members of the delegation are out-and-out Roosevelt men.

WAGES REDUCED

SUCH IS CLAIM OF THE OPERATIVES.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 29.—Except for expressions of dissatisfaction expressed when operatives compared the wage to be received for this week's work with that contained in the envelope today, no visible change took place in the demeanor of the operatives of the Atlantic dress goods mill at Olneyville, when a new wage scale went into effect today. Over 3000 operatives are affected by the change, and according to them the new scale is practically a reduction, though no particular rate was observed in the alleged cut. Trouble is not thought likely at the mill, the varied nationalities of the employes almost amounting to a safeguard in this respect.

THE CUBAN LOAN.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Negotiations for the flotation of the proposed $35,000,000 Cuban loan have come to a temporary halt. The banking interests which have this matter under consideration declare that the Russian-Japanese situation makes such a transaction inadvisable at this time, because it would tie up a large sum of money which might be used elsewhere to better advantage.

FUNERALS

FORD—The funeral of Charles Ford took place yesterday afternoon from his late home, 33 South Loring street. Services were conducted by Rev. B. F. Kingsley, assisted by Rev. Asa Reed Dilts. Appropriate solos were rendered by Mrs. Scribner, Mr. and Mrs. Bearce and Mr. Slater. The bearers were O. D. Wilder, Fred Holmes, Stillman C. Davis and Mr. Luhue. Burial was in the Edson cemetery under the direction of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

WHITING—The funeral of Hazel L. Whiting took place yesterday afternoon from the home of her parents, 96 Crawford street. Prayers were read by Rev. Mr. Manchester. Burial was in the Edson cemetery under the direction of Undertaker C. M. Young.

KELLEY—Mrs. Annie Kelley, aged 29 years, died yesterday at her home, 46 Aguwam street. Mrs. Kelley leaves a husband, Dennis, one daughter, Nellie, one son, Leroi, a father and mother in New Brunswick, and three sisters, Misses Lucy, Alice and Jennie Crane of Lowell.

The funeral took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from her late home in Agawam street and was largely attended. The cortege proceeded to the Sacred Heart church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. Fr. Fletcher, O. M. I. The choir under the direction of Mrs. Thomas H. Muldoon sang the Gregorian mass and during the service appropriate selections were rendered by members of the choir.

The bearers were Messrs. John McCarthy, Patrick O'Day, Joseph Kennedy and John Green. The remains will be forwarded to Clearview, N. H., for interment at 5 o'clock this evening by Undertaker Peter Davey.

WILL NOT REDUCE WAGES.

FAYETTEVILLE, W. Va., Jan. 29.—At a meeting of more than 20 coal operators on New river employing in the aggregate 9000 miners, it was unanimously voted not to reduce the wages of miners this year.

A WISH EASILY GRATIFIED.

Those teeth that you wish were out can be extracted without a particle of pain by Dr. Allen, Old City Hall, if he uses his wonderful Ea-Cola.

THE COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Opening prices in the cotton market today were higher than last night's closing with May and July above the best point of yesterday. Trading was active and excited. Initial advance was on better cables than had been looked for and reports that spot cotton was selling all through the interior last night at 15⅝ cents for middling. It became evident however soon after the opening that enormous profit taking was going on and prices were depressed several points from the best after which they were rallied by the firmness in New Orleans and aggressive bull support.

RUSSIA'S REPLY

Rumor of Its Import Discussed in London

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The Japanese minister, Baron Hayashi, said this morning, with reference to the report published by the Daily Graphic (to the effect that the Russian reply to Japan was completed Wednesday, that it had been communicated to M. Kurino, the Japanese minister at St. Petersburg and that it was unfavorable), that M. Kurino had officially notified him that the council of state called to consider the Russian reply was only held in St. Petersburg yesterday as cabled to the Associated Press. Baron Hayashi added that the reply had not yet been sent and that it will only be submitted for the czar's approval today.

"There are no means, therefore," added the Japanese minister, "of knowing the contents of the answer, and as to the probable tenor thereof I have no official information."

The Russian embassy, in denying the Daily Graphic's statement, says that the information reached by the embassy confirms the statements on the subject made in the Associated Press despatch from St. Petersburg yesterday.

RUSSIA OPPOSED

TO CLOSING THE STRAITS OF KOREA.

PARIS, Jan. 29.—It is understood that the conferences between Minister Lamsdorff and M. Kurino, the Japanese minister at St. Petersburg, have permitted the latter to advise his government concerning the position Russia is likely to take in her forthcoming answer; but the officials here say this was merely an intermediary step towards adjusting the remaining differences as the answer is subject to change until officially communicated.

It is further said that Russia will not answer until she feels reasonably assured that her answer will not have the effect of precipitating hostilities.

The officials here are gratified at an apparently authoritative statement that Japan does not intend to fortify the straits of Korea. They say it will remove one of the main obstacles as the most recent negotiations showed that Russia was unalterably opposed to the creation of any condition in Korea which would lead to closing that outlet from the sea of Japan. A strong intimation has been made that the maritime nations of Europe and the United States would have taken up the question unless this declaration had been made.

A FOREIGN VICEROYALTY.

LONDON, Jan. 29—Placards inciting the populace to rise and resist foreign aggression are being busily circulated in the province of Hunan, China, according to the Globe's Shanghai correspondent. The placards predict the establishment of a foreign viceroyalty over Hunan similar to that of Manchuria. The correspondent says the movement possibly portends a national outbreak. He adds that there have been enormous withdrawals of deposits both from the native and foreign banks at Shanghai, indicating belief in coming trouble and says the unprecedented stagnation in trade is partly owing to the Chinese new year holidays and partly to apprehension of impending troubles.

LOWELL MAN HURT

In Railroad Accident in the South

JAMES W. HARTLEY LOST A FOOT

Was Machinist for the Kitson Company

The Kitson Machine Co. of this city is in receipt of a telegram from Columbia, S. C., from James W. Hartley, one of their traveling men, to the effect that he was in a railroad accident in South Carolina and was injured so badly that it was necessary to have his right foot amputated.

Inquiry at the Kitson Machine Co. this morning by a representative of The Sun brought out the information that a telegram to the effect that Hartley had been injured was received, but no particulars further than that it was necessary to amputate his foot. A number of telegrams have been sent to Columbia by the Kitson company, but no replies have been received.

Mr. Hartley resides in this city on Watson street and has a wife and children. Mr. Hartley was supposed to be at Hartsville, S. C., erecting machinery for the Kitson company.

WALL STREET GOSSIP.

10.10 a. m.—Opening prices in the stock market were lower than last night with the sole exception of Chesapeake & Ohio, which rose a small fraction. Gains by some stocks in the London trading before the opening here were ignored. The losses in Wabash pfd., Rock Island pfd., Illinois Central and Pacific Mail somewhat exceeded the average, Pacific Mail declining 1¼ and Wabash pfd., a point.

11 a. m.—Speculation was very erratic and the volume of business smaller. The market did not hold a definite course for more than a few minutes at a time. The general drift was downward. Atchison, Reading, Southern Pacific, Amalgamated and Brooklyn Transit showed relative steadiness while St. Paul, Missouri Pacific, Penna, Baltimore & Ohio, United States Steel pfd., and Sugar displayed pronounced heaviness. Losses were recorded of five points in American Express, 3 in Westinghouse Electric, Car pfd., and Realty pfd., the last named rallying strongly and 1 to 1¼ in Rock Island pfd., Wisconsin Central pfd., Kansas City Southern pfd., Northwestern, Republic Steel pfd., and North American. General Electric and Colorado Fuel sold a point higher. Purchases of Atchison in blocks of from 1000 to 5000 shares carried it to 69¾ at 11 o'clock and the market steadied.

Noon—The declines were practically made up during the second hour and Pennsylvania, Reading, Atchison, Union and Southern Pacific and Amalgamated rose a fraction over last night. Pullman rose 1½. Allis Chalmers 1⅝ and Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg 2¼. A number of minor stocks made 1 to 2 point losses. The movement of the market was very narrow and trading became very dull. Bonds were irregular.

1 p. m.—The market was stagnant and scarcely a half dozen stocks varied an eighth from the 12 o'clock prices. Commercial cable dropped 10 points.

2 p. m.—Purchases of Union Pacific were small but constant and it got up to 81¼, a rise of a point on the favorable December earnings. Incidentally its movement represented the largest fluctuation of any of the important stocks. Knickerbocker Ice fell three and a few other minor stocks moved a point or so either way. The entire market was slightly easier at 2 o'clock.

PETTO IS FREE

Was Held on Charge of Murder

NEW YORK, Jan. 29—On motion of Assistant District Attorney Ely, Justice Giegerich today discharged on his own recognizance Tomasso Petto, known as "The Bull," who was indicted on suspicion of having murdered Benedetto Maduana of Buffalo on April 14, 1903. The murdered man was found in a barrel on East Eleventh street and the murder became known as the "barrel murder." Mr. Ely in asking for the discharge stated that the legal evidence did not warrant holding Petto any longer.

EXTRAORDINARY SESSION.

LIMA, Peru, Jan. 29—The government has convoked for Feb. 8 an extraordinary session of congress to discuss and sanction various financial measures.

CONSTIPATION

Its Cause and Cure

Cathartics and Purgatives Soon Lose Their Effect and Do More Harm Than Good.

Nature has provided only one way to get food into the system.

The necessity of getting rid of the waste products—poisons if they remain—is emphasized by the fact that she has provided four ways to get rid of them.

The bowels, the kidneys and bladder, the pores of the skin and the lungs all unite to keep the system clear of waste matter.

If the bowels become inactive that portion of the food which should be expelled lies in the intestines and ferments, causing blood, nerve, liver and kidney trouble and preparing the entire system for disease.

Iron-Ox Tablets cure constipation by stimulating the stomach, bowels, liver and kidneys to natural action. They insure perfect digestion, complete assimilation and a natural flow of digestive and expulsive fluids, so that purgatives and cathartics are unnecessary.

Any remedy which shocks the system into activity is dangerous. Do not expect immediate perceptible effects from Iron-Ox Tablets. They produce a natural, regular building up of all the bodily functions. This takes a little time, but success is absolutely certain.

Do not confound Iron-Ox Tablets with liquid preparations which are simply drugged alcohol, and which create a habit which is nothing more nor less than alcoholism. Iron-Ox Tablets build up the system slowly—they cannot create a "habit."

Fifty Iron-Ox Tablets in an attractive aluminum case, 25 cents at druggists, or from The Iron-Ox Remedy Co., Detroit, Mich., U. S. A.

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SPECIAL NOTICES

SPECIAL THIS WEEK—$3.00 worth of Red, White and Blue Trading Stamps given with one pound of our 50c Oolong, English Breakfast or Assam Tea; $5.00 worth of any kind of Trading Stamps with one pound of our 50c tea; $3.00 worth with our 35c coffee. The Elwood Tea & Coffee Co., Davis square.

REMOVED—John J. Conlon's pool rooms have been removed from Urban hall to 27 Shattuck street.

THE FOLLOWING SAYS: That you can get a doll carriage, a go-cart or a handsome doll with a pound of tea or two pounds of coffee at Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The two o'clock and five o'clock editions of The Sun are on sale every day at both newsstands in the Union station, Boston.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Jan. 27, 1904. The Committee on Judiciary will give a hearing to parties interested in the bill (House No. 483) relative to destroying or injuring personal property; also petition (House No. 275) of George A. Seigliano for further legislation relative to liens for labor performed and material furnished; also petition (House No. 259) of John B. Lowney for legislation to authorize the recovery of indirect damages in actions against counties, cities and towns for personal injuries, at room No. 237 State House, on Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. A. M. Tuttle, Chairman. Wm. A. Kelley, Clerk of the Committee.

HELP WANTED

YOUNG MEN everywhere copy letters home evenings; $9.50 work; send addressed envelope for particulars. Manager Dept. 871, Box 141, Philadelphia, Pa.

WOMEN to sew at home, $9 per week; materials sent everywhere free; steady work, plain sewing only; send addressed envelope for full particulars. S. D. N., Du Pont, Philadelphia, Pa.

LADIES wanted everywhere copying letters at home evenings or spare time and return to us; no selling or canvassing; $9 weekly earned; materials free; enclose self-addressed envelope for particulars. Guarantee Co., No. 871 Ninth street, Philadelphia, Pa.

WANTED—Young man to learn the electrical business. Address C. E., this office.

WANTED—Good reliable man for the farm; one that can milk and drive team. Call at S. P. Pike's Middlesex market, 528 Middlesex street.

WANTED—An experienced housegirl for family of two. Give reference. Address Pleasant, Sun Office.

WANTED—Housegirl in small family. No washing. Care of one child. Address C. Sun Office.

WANTED—One or two children to board. 457 Lakeview avenue.

MANDOLIN AGENTS who are not making $40 or $50 write Hartford Automatic Mandolin Co., Box D, Roxbury, Mass.

LIFE INSURANCE—We want three first class producers; to men who will prove their ability we have good positions to offer; guaranteed salary and commission to right men. Apply 33 Merrimack square, room 1.

WANTED—Experienced kitchen girl. 296 Market street.

AGENTS WANTED—Ladies to introduce valuable article to ladies only; wonderful seller; big profits; easy steady work; secure position at once; particulars free. Penobscot Remedy Co., Box 14, Sta. N., New York, N. Y.

WANTED

CASH PAID for Trading Stamps. Call at 26 Central street, Room 1, Swan Bldg., Wednesday and Thursday from 10 to 4.

MASSAGE by one of experience; ladies only. Address K., Sun office.

WANTED—Children to board in the country; terms reasonable. Address box 132, Billerica.

IF YOU WANT a cord or more of dry hard wood for $6, telephone to P. Coggar, truckman, 438 Riverside street.

WANTED—Donations of second-hand clothing for men, women and children for destitute families in our city. Please send bundles or card to Mattie A. Towne, War Cry Sergeant, Salvation Army, Appleton street, Bancroft block, room 12, Lowell.

WANTED—To buy stable manure in large or small quantities. Drop postal to H. W. Foster, R. F. D., No. 1, or telephone.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Female collie pup, yellow, with white markings; answers to name of Lassie. Reward at 66 Willow street.

LOST—Lady's gold watch between Salon street and Casto theatre. Reward if left at P. M. Lederman's, 232 Salem street.

LOST—A gold watch between corner Suffolk and Market streets and St. Jean's church, Merrimack street. Return to Bureau of L'Etoile.

LOST—Black, white, and tan Shepherd dog, white on breast, neck, white streak on forehead and tip of tail. Reward at 351 Powell street.

LOST—On the 16th, in Cook, Taylor's or Kennedy's butter store, or between Central and Lawrence streets, a pocketbook containing receipts and trading stamps. If the person finding it will please return it to The Sun Office trouble will be avoided.

LOST—Between Moody and Central streets, brown hand bag containing money, keys and other articles. Return to Sun office. Reward.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—Situation as teamster or nearly any kind of work; strictly temperate; reference from late employer. Address Mrs. Montgomery, 238 Fletcher St.

WANTED—By experienced young lady, position as office clerk or cashier. Address A. L., Sun office.

NURSE—Capable, experienced, can be obtained at reasonable terms at 39 Jones avenue, Drucut Centre.

WANTED—A situation as housekeeper by a neat, capable, experienced American, where strict attention will be appreciated. Address J. H. W., care Marine Co., Lowell, Mass.

WANTED—Situation by lady to do light housework; does not object to children. Call 18 Branch street.

MONEY TO LOAN

PAWNBROKER—Money to loan; money loaned on all valuable articles, clothing; rates reasonable. A. Stein, 343 Middlesex street, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security. Boarding houses, retail merchants and salaried people; easy payments; lowest rates in the city. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters, boarding houses, without security; easy payments; largest business in 42 principal cities. Tolman, room 26, Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leinhan, room 9, Barristers hall.

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159 Middlesex St.

FOR SALE

YOU CAN BUY most any kind of a sleigh at J. B. Sabre's, 597 Merrimack street, from $5 up.

FOR SALE—Five fine English bull pups cheap at Ryan's, 121 A street.

FOR SALE—Good, comfortable, second-hand sleigh and pung at 405 Parker street, near Pine.

376 BRIDGE STREET. White Sewing Machine Co.—Ladies before buying try our automatic drop machine; we have several other makes; you are sure to get suited, give us a call.

FOR SALE—Boarding and lodging house of 16 rooms, all furnished. 403 Central street.

FOR SALE—Fine cow hay $14 a ton, at J. B. Sabre's, 597 Merrimack street.

FOR SALE—Cheap, a good double travers runner sleigh. Inquire at 25 Cross street.

FOR SALE—Sleigh in fair condition; will sell cheap if taken immediately. Inquire 2 rear 141 High street, after 6 p. m.

FOR SALE—Fine double sleigh, built to order, nearly new; owner having no further use for it will sell cheap. Inquire at Sun office.

FOR SALE—Oak mantle bed in good condition; cherry bedstead with spring and mattress, swinging cradle. 66 Willow street.

POULTRYMEN—To make hens lay feed Green Cut Bone; fresh Tuesdays and Fridays. Adams Supply Co., 40 Middlesex Street, room 18, Lowell.

FOR SALE—To mend your stove bricks use Eagle Stove Clay. Hardware and stove dealers sell it in three size packages.

FOR SALE—Hulled corn and cracker meal, horse, wagon, sleigh and everything pertaining to the business. 9 Loring street, corner Grove.

GERMAN ELECTRIC BELT—Relieves rheumatic pains of back and limbs at once; easily adjusted; price $3. P. H. Saunders, agent, 119 Middlesex street.

FOR SALE—Goldfinches, green and gray linnets; also 300 young canaries; choice of this lot $1.50; also lot of gold fish at three for 25c at Moore's Bird Store, 142 Essex St., Lawrence, Mass.

FOR SALE—Horse and team, value $300, may be had for $175; private family preferred. Apply Sun office.

FOR SALE—A variety store situated in a good business neighborhood, established trade of seven years; an exceptionally fine place for one who dressmakes; poor health of owner reason for selling. For all particulars, terms, etc., inquire of E. R. Donovan, room 1, Swan block, 26 Central street. It may be your opportunity.

RUBBER STAMPS at wholesale prices; 1-in. one line stamps 15c; 1¼ in., 20c; 35c ink pads, 25c; 20c ink pads, 15c; 50c linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 10c per line. J. M. Fellows, 168 Merrimack St.

MISCELLANEOUS

THE GREAT BARGAIN PLACE in Lowell for shirts and shirt waists and full suits is the Highland Remnant Store, 30 Pine street; take the Westford street car; a full line of regular 50c mercerized vesting and ottomans for 39c per yd.; also mercerized cheviot, regular price 37c, for 23c to 25c per yd.; regular 37c mercerized Sea island for 21c per yd.; also Barnaby ginghams, flannelettes and vestings in remnants by the pound; it will pay you to see these bargains before purchasing elsewhere; also boot and shoe repairing done at lowest prices; drop us a postal card and we will call for and repair and deliver the goods without any extra charge.

GOVERNMENT POSITIONS—Prepare now for spring examinations. Call or write 05 Merrimack street, room 16.

THERE WILL be a test seance at Mrs. Coggeshall's, 26 Nichols street, Friday evening, January 29, at 7.45. Admission 15 cents.

DRINK GLORIA; none genuine without Gloria label on bottle; a healthy family beverage; order by postal or telephone. Boyle Bros., agents.

MRS. FLETCHER, 769 Gorham street, trance medium and card reader.

MME. WATSON EMERSON—Clairvoyant and psychological readings at 474 Central street, also instruction in elocution and physical culture.

MRS. ADAMS, clairvoyant and card reader and ladies' employment office. 365 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

MISS UPTON, clairvoyant, card reader, business medium. 81 Merrimack street.

WOOD GIVEN AWAY—2½ miles out. Apply to depot master, Wamesit station. Must be cut and taken away at once.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, cheap, from the Merrimack woolen mills. Corner store, Lakeview avenue and Pleasant street, Navy Yard.

HORSEMEN ATTENTION—We are now prepared to shoe your horses in the most satisfactory and scientific manner, especially horses lamed by incorrect shoeing, at the reasonable low price of 4 new shoes for $1.00; we also keep in stock a line of hand-made shoes turned by L. J. Padlen, at the Fair Grounds shoeing forge, 1051 Gorham street, Lowell, Mass.

PIANO OR ORGAN LESSONS at your home; special pains taken with children or advanced pupils; will accompany any instrument for entertainments; years of experience. Mabel Randall, Chelmsford Centre.

STOVES—New and second-hand, bought, sold and exchanged. Reliable Furniture Co., 166 Middlesex street.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 1128 Bridge street. Telephone.

MUSIC—German zither music furnished at reasonable rates for concerts, dinner parties, church entertainments and home socials. John C. Hansen, Bon Marche studio.

IF YOU WANT your mattresses made over at your home, call at 940 Central St.

BUY YOUR HAT at Delorme's, where you can have it cleaned free of charge for one year. Repairing a specialty. 261 Middlesex street.

SAVE MONEY by buying your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Baker & Co.'s, 150 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; also furniture moving done in a careful manner; always big bargains at our store. McGauvran Bros., Merrimack St., opp. City Hall.

LADIES—Dr. LaFrance's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination; used by 200,000 women; price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFrance & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

TO LET

TO LET—Eight-room house, corner June and 13th street; modern conveniences. W. T. Sheppard, 103 Central street.

TO LET—Two tenements of three and four rooms, $5 per month; key at 173 East Merrimack street; also other tenements in different parts of the city. J. W. Hecry, 65 Merrimack street.

TO LET—One 4-room and one 3-room tenement. Inquire at 81 Chestnut street.

TO LET—Small tenements, 634 Broadway; rent low.

TO LET—Blacksmith shop fully equipped ready for business. Apply at 355 Lincoln street.

TO LET—Tenement of 5 rooms with or without barn. 15 Lombard street.

TO LET—A desirable house on South Canton street, all modern improvements, steam heat. Inquire at 942 Middlesex St.

TO LET—5, 6, 7-room tenements in good repair. 164 Lawrence street.

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The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590** A gain of 1089 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

A man dropped dead in Boston after running up stairs to board an "L" train. It is a dangerous test of the heart's capabilities.

A Fall River girl has been killed at Madrid while looping the loop in an automobile. What will not people attempt in order to get money?

Mayor Harrison has been exonerated from all blame for the Iroquois horror as we expected. So will be the others accused by the coroner's jury though most of them are guilty.

Hon. George Fred Williams is favored for delegate to the national convention from Lynn. That does not seem like a repudiation of Bryan although some papers so interpret it.

Going into speculation "to get back money wrongly allowed to a friend" is a new phase of the bank official who uses other people's money in experiments on the ticker. But this is the only new thing about the Nashua chapter of it.—Boston Record.

But these men who steal money from banks are so exceedingly nice that their friends and acquaintances cannot brook to call them plain thieves. This Goggin was not superintendent of a Sunday school so far as we know, but he was "awfully nice" just the same, and hence there must be some scapegoat for his disgrace. If he had been a plain, everyday fellow with a sturdy sense of honesty and honor it would be all right to say he robbed the bank.

THE INTER-CONTINENTAL RAILROAD.

The construction of the Panama canal will be the impetus for a new railroad to run from the straits of Megallen in South America to the great lakes in the north. Our government has sent a special railroad commissioner to the southern republics to consult them on the question of encouraging this inter-continental railroad and he reports that such a road can be built without perpetual subsidies. It may be a reality sooner than expected, if the South American states would stop their warring and turn their attention to something likely to promote their own interests.

ROOM FOR ECONOMY.

Now is the time to lay the foundation of economy in the government of our city during the coming year. The committe on appropriations can cut down the estimates as far as possible and then it will be for the city council to compel the heads of departments keep within their allowance.

The committee should use the pruning knife most freely upon the demands of the departments in which extravagance has prevailed during the past year. The two departments in which the extravagance is most flagrant are the school department and the street department.

No part of the appropriation for either department should be used directly or indirectly to influence votes in favor of any candidate.

PROMOTER WRIGHT'S DEATH.

The death of Whitaker Wright, a promoter of get rich quick schemes, who robbed the public of $10,000,000, bears a salutary lesson to all who might contemplate engaging in the business. He was arrested in New York and taken to London, where such schemes are regarded with a degree of horror.

What is remarkable about the outcome of the case is that after boldly embarking in the business Wright did not as boldly take his seven years sentence and go to jail. Wright was a mere novice in the promoters' art compared to some we have in this country, but here they are racy of the soil and their offenses are seldom made the subject of criminal prosecution.

TO ABOLISH THE POLL TAX.

There is a bill before the legislature providing for the abolition of the poll tax. The man who introduced the measure should be looked up. It may be possible the tax collector has a big poll tax bill against him.

We favored the abolition of the poll tax as a prerequisite for voting, although we felt that no man who is unwilling to pay a poll tax has a right to vote.

When a man joins a society that affords any advantages social or otherwise, he usually has to pay a large initiation fee and a dollar a month or upwards. The initiation fee as a citizen of the United States is not large and the annual fee is but two dollars. It is absurd to propose that this fee be abolished.

It is but right that every citizen should contribute something for the support of the government and in compensation for the privileges he enjoys. If any change is to be made the amount should be increased. When men find that they have to contribute to the support of any institution, they will feel more of an interest in it.

Thousands of men come to this country and horde up their money, spending only what they cannot hold, giving but two dollars each for the protection and the glorious freedom they enjoy. To abolish the poll tax would be to cheat the government. It is a wholesome reminder of the obligations which the citizen owes and one which should not be disturbed.

MR. BRYAN'S ATTITUDE.

Mr. Bryan is talked of as if he were unchanged and unchanagable. In regard to the broad principles of democracy that are as eternal as the skies, he has not changed and will not change, but Mr. Bryan is statesman enough to treat conditions as he finds them. Who will deny that the conditions today are very much different from what they were in 1896 or even in 1900? For example, the vast production of gold since 1896 has made a very material change in the currency and although there are still very grave defects in our currency the remedy that was required by the conditions in 1896 is not required now and would not be favored even by Mr. Bryan himself.

He has repeatedly made this statement but his critics still maintain that he insists upon the Chicago or Kansas City platform without modification. Mr. Bryan and other good democrats believe that both those platforms were great declarations of democratic doctrine, the main structure of which will be applicable for all time but as to particular conditions and ever changing phases of public questions, there is no doubt whatever that Mr. Bryan would today modify both instruments to meet the changed conditions.

Those people who expect Mr. Bryan to go before the St. Louis convention and advocate the spirit and letter of the Kansas City platform will find themselves greatly mistaken. We expect that he will still appeal for international bimetallism, but not in the concrete form of free silver at the ratio of 16 to 1.

Mr. Bryan has been in Europe of late and he will have new light to shed upon the question of international bimetallism, a subject to which the republican party pledged its attention but which it abandoned without even the semblance of an effort to wards persuasion of the European powers in its favor.

The fact is the republican party is too much in the thrall of the gold kings to favor bimetallism in any form with any sincerity.

SEEN AND HEARD

The sleigh manufacturers are smiling.

Life and coat buttons often hang by slender threads.

Nashua has had and is having more than its share of bank troubles.

It is easier to see through a glass window than it is to see through a glass eye.

Since United States civilization struck Cuba 2000 liquor saloons have been opened there.

In 1800 half the population of the world were under, and half were over, the age of 22 years, 9 months and 18 days.

The Massachusetts Aid society, auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans, which has members in Lowell, will meet in Boston Feb. 9 and 10.

There are a few people in this world who hate to get up before breakfast or to work between meals.

In our navy only one flag is ever allowed to float above the national ensign. During Divine service a large white pennant with a blue cross on it flies at the mast head with the stars and stripes under it.

BABY LOBSTERS.

It is well known and a matter of general regret that the catch of lobsters has for many years been becoming steadily less, so that the official reports show nearly 2,000,000 pounds less in 1900 than in 1890. It may not be so well known that the hatcheries of the United States fish commission are diligently trying to increase the supply. From the fish commission at Gloucester 1,500,000 baby lobsters were recently sent to Portland for distribution along the coast. And the hatchery at Woods' Hole is also doing a large business of the same kind.

"BLUE CROSS" BOATS.

An English ship builder advocates the establishment of a fleet of ten large life boats and one store boat to patrol the North Atlantic along the line of ocean travel. He calls it the "International Blue Cross Ocean Life and Salvage Service." The aim is to save ships and crews in distress. They will have a regular time schedule, so that in case of disaster the officers of a ship or steamer may know just when to find a "Blue Cross" boat.

JACK THE PUNCHER.

The police, thus far, have been unable to connect with Jack the puncher. The man with the gray ulster, Scotch cap and felt shoes seems to be a very clever fellow at punching and getting away. It is suggested that he may be training for a bout with some of the big fellows. Despite the seriousness of his attacks the hunt for the puncher has been prolific of comical situations. Officers in citizens clothes have been doing special duty in Belvidere and a Belvidere man who noticed a fellow acting what he called "a bit suspicious" dodging behind trees and one thing or another, called at the police station yesterday and reported to the police that he had seen Jack the puncher. He was asked to describe the man and his description fitted one of the officers to a T. The man was honest enough but it was an officer and not Jack the puncher that he saw flitting from place to place and dodging behind trees.

PLEASANT TIME

AT THE HADLEY STREET FREE BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. S. D. Millin, assisted by Miss Elizabeth Huntley, soloist, and Clayton R. Kimball, pianist, gave "An Evening with American Humorists," at the Hadley Street Free Baptist church last evening, which held the attention of the large and enthusiastic audience from beginning to end. Mr. Millin is well known in this city, and has already won a reputation as a popular reader and impersonator. Miss Huntley, from Santiago, California, formerly of this city, easily won and held the closest attention of her audience. Her pleasing manner and sweet contralto voice show good training and assure for her a bright future if she chooses to cultivate her talent.

Mr. Kimball is the popular organist of the Mt. Vernon Free Baptist church. He presided at the piano with delight to the audience, and credit to himself.

FLAG AT HALF MAST.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Jan. 29.—Another halibut fisherman, the schooner Corrona, arrived yesterday with her flag at half mast for the loss of one of her crew, Almon Nickerson, of this city.

While Nickerson was out in his dory he was knocked overboard by a heavy sea and drowned.

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WHITEN BLACKS

Indiana Doctor Says He Has Scheme

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 29—If the theory of Dr. Jacob W. Hill, a well-known practising physician in this city and one of the best known medical men in the state, is correct, the color of the human race can be fixed at the time of birth. To prove his idea, he has arranged to bring the theory before the scientific and medical world with an experiment. The doctor says:

"The solution of the color scheme of the human race lies in the manner of treatment of the skin at the time of birth. If proper steps are then taken there is no reason why a negro baby may not become a most pronounced Caucasian as far as color is concerned.

"Preparations, however, must be made before the birth of the child. The hospital room in which the infant will first see the light of day must be furnished completely in red. The rays of the sun must be excluded and artificial lights must be furnished through red globes. Doctors, nurses and baby must also be attired in red.

"With these preliminary arrangements completed the theory of Dr. Fenson of Norway will be carried out. He found by placing a chameleon under the violet rays that the pigment was not so strong as under the ordinary light rays, which can be explained to the uninitiated that the change in the colors in the chameleon was not of such marked extent under the violet rays as in another light.

"Red or violet light as actinic rays has a subduing effect, the rays of light are not such as would irritate and prevent pigmentation and so closely guarding the new-born infant from being exposed to other light would prevent it from turning to the color of its forefathers."

Dr. Hill is confident of success. A wealthy manufacturer has agreed to furnish the necessary funds, and all arrangements have been made for securing a negro child. A local hospital has set aside a room for his special purpose.

CHARACTER PARTY

UNDER AUSPICES OF FIRST SPIRITUALIST SOCIETY.

The character party, held under the auspices of the First Spiritualists' society in Pollard's block on Middle street, last evening, was a huge success and the costumes worn by many of the people present were greatly in keeping with the event.

During the evening prizes were awarded to the ladies and gentlemen for the most artistically and craziest designed costumes. The first prize for the prettiest dressed lady was a chatelaine bag and was awarded to Miss Minnie Pihl, who represented Columbia. The second ladies' prize, a jardiniere, was captured by Mrs. George Frasier. Mrs. Fraiser was dressed as an Indian princess. Mrs. Lillian Snow, who represented a butterfly, captured the third prize. Miss Ruth Naylor got a lemonade set. The complimentary prize which was a bucket of Florida water, was given to Mrs. W. S. Davis. Mr. George Fraiser represented an Indian and he got the first gentleman's prize, which was a rug. The second prize was a gold stick pin, and Harry Pihl, who represented Sunny Jim, will wear it in his necktie. The Columbian orchestra furnished music. Refreshments were served under the supervision of Mrs. W. A. Pihl.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

At Odd Fellows' building in Centralville, last night, Rebecca Lodge, No. 139, installed its newly elected officers, prior to which a banquet was served under the direction of Miss Rose Ingalls. Mrs. Arthur M. Greeley, Mrs. Harry Tracy and other members of the lodge. The installation was under the direction of Grand Marshall Mrs. Lilla R. Welton of Lawrence, and was very impressively conducted. The newly elected are as follows: Noble grand, Miss Mary T. Chapley; vice noble grand, A. M. Bachelder; recording secretary, Mrs. T. Fleeny; financial secretary, Miss Edith Boucher; treasurer, Miss Ammetta Stewart; warden, Miss Edith Tiobitts; outer guard, Charles T. Doty; conductor, Miss Mabel Chaplin; right support of noble grand, Mrs. Florence Flynn; left support of the noble grand, Mrs. Louise Rollins; right support of vice grand, Mrs. Jennie Morse; left support of noble grand, Mrs. Abbie E. Vickery. During the evening the retiring noble grand was presented with a beautiful 132 piece dinner set.

Court Gen. Shields, No. 46, F. of A., held their regular meeting last night in Foresters' hall, at which a committee of 25 was appointed to make arrangements for a smoke talk which will occur on the fourth Thursday in February.

SCHOONER DRIFTING.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Jan. 29.—According to a despatch received here yesterday the schooner A. M. Nicholson, of Bucksport, Me., is drifting about the gulf of St. Lawrence, frozen in an ice field.

The despatch stated that the crew of nine men with the captain made their way across the ice fields to shore, after a very hard journey of ten miles.

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Don't let false pride keep you from this sale of suits. It is clothing of a character offered by no other store. All are good honest bargains and why should you miss the chance to save five to ten dollars?

For Example, Rogers-Peet's Finest Suits, fancy cheviots and worsteds, that were $30, $28 and $25, in one lot now . . . **$20**

Another Collection of Suits made by Rogers-Peet, includes suits that were $23, $22 and $20—these marked **$15**

Fancy Cheviot Suits of our own make, with coats single or double breasted, several patterns that were first $18 and $15, now priced **$10**

Young Men's Stylish Suits, coats single or double breast, all of this season's make, sizes 32 to 36 breast measure—were $15, but now . . . **$10**

Young Men's Suits **$6.00** including all the scattering lots that sold for $10 and $12.

Young Men's Suits **$3.75** odd suits up to 34 breast measure—will fit boys 14 to 17 years—were first marked $6 and $8.

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DEVIL OUTWITTED

Story of Fantastic Hold-up

TOLD IN A PAPER 100 YEARS OLD

Paper Was Found in an Old Desk

A few days ago G. H. Sprout, living on Ash street, says the Manchester Union, received from his father, who lives in Vermont, an ancient desk, made by the great-grandfather of the Manchester man. It is a valuable piece of furniture and is highly prized by the family. Upon the arrival of the relic of other days, Mr. Sprout made a search in it and was surprised to find a copy of the Weekly Wanderer, a four-page, four-column sheet printed by Sereno Wright, "a few rods west of the meetinghouse," at Randolph, Orange county, Vt. The paper is of the issue of June 18, 1803.

This century old sheet, filled with interesting reading, fell into the hands of a Union reporter and was recognized at once as being quite different from many old papers. There is the style which characterized the publications of 100 years ago, there is the theological atmosphere, the subordination of live news to the discussion of ethics that one frequently finds in the old papers, but on the other hand there seems to be more substance to the matter printed. It had evidently been a "good week" in the Wanderer office and Mr. Wright could look with pride on a paper that had a deal of world news packed into a very small compass.

There is too much in the old paper for a single descriptive account, but a part of it is "covered" in the present account and other articles will deal with the rest of the paper.

The first page leader in this issue is not the most startling news item of the week but a two-column dissertation on the subject of capital punishment in which a writer whose nom de plume is Beccaria maintains that man has no right to take the life of his fellow man. Beccaria goes boldly into the Biblical argument and interprets "Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed," not as a precept but as a prediction; then, admitting that his view is not the one generally accepted, he masses half a column of quotations to prove that if this is a precept it was a peculiarly Jewish one, applying to the chosen people only.

The following story from the Boston Gazette, under the heading, "The Devil Outwitted, or a New Attempt at Swindling," appears and is given here in full as a fair sample of the method of treatment of a matter of news a century ago:

"The following very singular transaction actually occurred in a village not many miles distant from Boston. A single gentleman, who had a considerable quantity of specie, and who had been in the habit of accommodating his neighbors with loans of money, a few days since, had received a payment to the amount of $800, and late in the evening was returning home, when he was accosted by a being whose external habiliments, it seems, suggested to his imagination the exact similitude of the Devil, and who boldly demanded of him $1000. Terrified at this abrupt and fearful interview, the gentleman told him that he had not the sum by him. The strange personage replied that he knew he had it and that he must let him have it immediately. The gentleman then told him that he had $800 by him, but that if he would give him time he would procure the remainder of the sum required. The Devil accordingly took his word and appointed the next evening at the hour of 10 to meet him at his own house, and threatened that unless he then fulfilled his promise he would carry him off, at the same time enjoining profound secrecy as to this and the future interview. Not having the remainder of the money on hand, the gentleman was obliged to borrow the deficiency. The man to whom he applied, knowing the circumstances, expressed his surprise at the request, particularly as it seemed to be of a most urgent nature, and as the gentleman appeared extremely agitated and anxious. He accordingly desired to know the reason of the application. The gentleman replied it was of the utmost consequence and that he should be ruined forever unless he could procure it. His friend then told him that he had the sum he wanted, but that he could accommodate him on no other condition but that of knowing the use to which he would apply it. In this dilemma he wisely concluded of two evils to choose the lesser, supposing that if the essential part of his engagement was punctually complied with the Devil would be civil enough to absolve him from the promise of secrecy. He accordingly, in a very serious manner, disclosed the whole transaction of the preceding evening. His friend then gave him the money, with permission, however, to be present at this singular interview. He (the friend) accordingly secreted himself, with a loaded pistol, in a little closet in the room, and at the hour appointed the chief of the pandemonium punctually appeared to receive his money. At this instant the man in the closet stepped out and presenting a pistol to his breast, demanded who he was and threatening to fire unless he immediately divested himself of his state robes of darkness. Confounded at this unexpected recounter, the poor Devil lost all supernatural agency; he was compelled to lay aside his crown or horns and cloven foot and stood exposed a near neighbor of both parties, detected in this singular scheme of plunder. It seems that this man, knowing the day before that his neighbor was to receive a large sum of money, conceived this plan to impose on his superstition and credulity and rob him of $1000. In this instance the Devil was completely outwitted and overlooking the $800, which he might probably in this manner have secured, to obtain $1000, he lost all, and is now accommodated with lodgings in a pandemonium little more agreeable than that, where it is said the character which he meant to personify resides."

This entire account, as will be observed, is given in a single paragraph and is a typical news story of its time.

The remainder of the first page of the Wanderer and nearly a column of the second is devoted to a detailed account of a duel in England between a colonel in the army and a captain in the navy, in which one was killed and the other wounded. The cause of this sanguine affair was a dog fight between canines owned by the officers, in which one of the latter interfered. This account, published on June 18, was taken from "a London paper," of April 8, and is a vivid description of the entire proceeding.

POLO NEWS

"Bob" Hart, rusher of the Muncie team, is travelling so fast now that it is necessary for two men to keep tabs on him. The other night when Muncie was pitted against Indianapolis Murtaugh and Coggeshall were appointed as a committee of two to watch out for the ex-Lowell player, but despite this inconvenience Hart managed to get his share of the goals.

The Ft. Wayne team, as a whole, has the best record in the Central league, both in number of rushes and goals, and is next to Lafayette in its small number of fouls. Terre Haute is only two goals behind Ft. Wayne. Sutherland, of Danville, has been the busiest goal tender in the league, with Harper, of Terre Haute, close behind.

Harper is the Lowell boy who went west and has made good.

The man who invented the jumping-jack must have seen some of Tommy Holderness' antics. It's worth anybody's "two bits" to see the star half-back cover fifty feet of a polo floor with a pair of legs that seem to be made of elastic flesh and bone. Lyons is a good one, Barney Doherty, too, but give us the boy with the cool head and true eye that Tommy alone possesses.—Muncie Star.

In Anderson the other night Joe Fox's Marions defeated the brewery workers by a score of 4 to 3, with Fox playing goal.

HON. SAMUEL ROADS

WELL KNOWN MARBLEHEAD MAN IS DEAD.

MARBLEHEAD, Jan. 29.—Hon. Samuel Roads, Jr., died at his home on Elm street at 7 o'clock last evening from a complication of diseases. Mr. Roads has been in failing health for more than a year, suffering from a combination of heart and stomach troubles. A short time ago symptoms of brights disease were noticed. This ailment developed very rapidly and is assigned as the immediate cause of his death.

He was not in robust health when he ran for congress against Capt. Gardner in 1902, and the strain of the campaign is thought to have hastened his death.

He left an aged mother, one brother, John L. Roads, and a sister, Mrs. William A. Laskey.

The news of Mr. Roads' death was received with profound regret by the citizens of the town, for no person here could be more of a loss to the town. Mr. Roads always took a great interest in Marblehead, where he was born, and he made its welfare part of his life study. His death will be mourned by the entire community and also by a host of friends out of town.

INSPECTION DAY

HIGH SCHOOL REGIMENT REVIEWED BY GEN. GRAHAM.

The High School regiment was inspected yesterday at the annex drill shed. General J. D. Graham (retired) Mayor Charles E. Howe, Captain Colby T. Kittredge and William W. Duncan, chairman of the school board, were present.

The regiment was drawn up in battalion front; then the companies passed in review before the party. The various regimental movements were executed, including the hollow squares by battalions, the drill ending with the dress parade.

Later the visitors made a short visit to the High school hall, where the girls' battalions were drilling under command of Major Eleanor Abbott.

General Graham expressed himself as delighted with the exhibitions given by both the regiments.

Everybody goes to Prescott hall this evening.

CYCLE NEWS

The contingent of racing men from the United States—Floyd MacFarland, Iver Lawson and Hardy Downing—have created quite a sensation in Melbourne, Australia, by their splendid racing. That of MacFarland, as a handicap rider, and which we can best appreciate, is being especially well praised. They have competed in Sydney and Melbourne with success, and have established themselves as favorites with the sportgoing public.

Since the appearance in Melbourne of "Major" Taylor, MacFarland and company, the Australians have been made to look almost second raters, the visitors outpacing them invariably. As a matter of fact, there are several Australians, perhaps eight or ten, who are much on a par, no one rider standing out above the other. They appear to reach a certain degree of perfection and then stop. This is due to the style and class of racing there, which is principally handicaps. The major portion of the prize money, amounting to, say, $80,000 annually (in Victoria), is devoted to handicap events, the Austral being the richest prize; last year as in 1902, there have been $2,750 allotted for prizes, of which $2,250 is for the first place. Promoters of race meetings there have the idea that it is the big prize that will draw the gate, and perhaps they were correct at one period, but only up to a certain point.

Big prizes, particularly in handicaps, have done more than induce the public to attend, for instead of benefiting the sport as a sport—producing true racing—they have tended to demoralize the men, who do their utmost, even to waiting for years, to get out onto a long mark, not only that that may make more certain of winning it, but by backing themselves weeks, perhaps months, before and secure long odds, thus receiving practically a double prize—if they win. These tactics are much too common; it is the result of giving such a big prize for a handicap.

The biggest prize given for a scratch competitor is $800. The contest for this is rather a series of heats and finals of one, two and three miles, with a final of five miles for those riders who have qualified (by points) in the shorter distances. Thus the actual winner is required to race 17 miles, and the utmost he can net (if he wins the finals of the one, two and three miles) is $675. A contest of this description has frequently resulted in a number of men pooling the stakes, one being taken in each heat and final to win, and so get the whole clique into the grand final.

The quality and style of the American's racing are very different from those of the local men. McFarland and Lawson have raced in good company, and the system of racing has been such, as to develop all their speed capabilities. It has been to their advantage to become as proficient as possible; they have no motive for doing otherwise. Whether they will be successful in the Austral remains to be seen. They will, of course, have to combat combinations of the Australian men. There is one potent factor which has worked against the Australians even if they desired to become world's champions. In Victoria, where by far the bulk of the Australian racing is done, there is not an up-to-date track, Melbourne being wofully deficient in this respect. They cannot get 1.40 miles on a track that will carry only 1.50 miles. Moreover, the surface is rough. A fast track will make fast men faster.

You can save money on every purchase of a hat or bonnet at Rose Jordan Hartford's, corner John and Lee streets.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT THE CASTO.

The current bill at the Casto is one that will amuse all the children tomorrow, for Saturday afternoon is the time selected by the school children of the city to attend the theatre. Robert Henry Hodge and company in "A Bachelor's Troubles" head the program, and the adventures of the woman-hating old "buck" are most amusing. Then there is Baker and Lyn in the funny comedy "The Electric Boy;" Gilroy, Haynes and Montgomery in the singing comedy "Pink Eye Pete" and many others equally as clever. Green trading stamps are given free with orchestra tickets.

Rubber Sale

Men's $3.00 Rubber Boots	$2.25
Men's $2.50 4-buckle Arctics	$1.98
Men's $1.50 Buckle Arctics	98c
Men's 75c Rubbers	49c
Boys' 60c Rubbers	42c
Ladies' $1.00 Overshoes, small sizes	19c
Ladies' 50c Storm Rubbers	39c
Misses' 49c Storm Rubbers	25c
75 pairs of Children's 40c Rubbers, sizes 10 and 11	24c

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Men's Patent Leather Boots, that were $3.50 and $4.00, now	$2.49
Misses' Button Overshoes, best grade, were $1.50, now	98c
Child's Button Overshoes, best grade, were $1.25, now	89c
Infants' Felt Boots, nice and warm, were 60c, now	39c

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GIFT SALE

While we have not "Any Rags, Any Bones, Any Bottles Today"—still—"It's the Same Old Story in the Same Old Way"—but with a difference.

To the Public — Let us explain. It is quite generally known that we have had a successful sale—we may say an unusual one. We have turned a large amount of goods since the opening of the Parthenais Bros.' Assignee Sale. We have advertised liberally and the buying public came to us in the face of some of the worst weather in years. Our two opening days were record breakers. But that is history and "the mill will never grind with the water that has passed."—Hence we hasten to say, big as were our opening days—we are going to open up a sale TODAY and Evening that will excel it--that will be the talk of the town. If the "No School" bell rings on Friday morning--it means US and means the sale is on and that we are beating even the weather. And this is what we are going to do and how we are going to do it.

FIRST--We are going to undertake to sell or **give away** everything in the store from the broom and the door-mat to the finest suit of clothes in the store, including roll top desk, show cases, tables, in a word everything, stock and fixtures entire.

SECOND--We shall conduct this Great Bankrupt Clearance and Free Gift Sale as follows: We shall mass together **Three Different Lots of Free Gifts** enclosed in uniform boxes without marks of any kind making it impossible for anyone to tell what a box contains.

These same boxes will contain gifts worth from **25c to $10.00.**

LOT 1 will contain gifts of value from **25c to $1.00** and will be given with every purchase amounting to from **$1.00 to $3.00.**

LOT 2 will contain presents worth from **$1.50 to $3.00** and will be given with purchases of from **$3.50 to $8.00.**

LOT 3 will contain presents worth from **$3 to $10.00** and will be given with purchases of from **$8.50 to $20.00.**

Everything will be as advertised and the value of the presents will be unquestionable.

We have put a deal of study into this proposition. It is up to us to sell out every piece and article in Parthenais Bros.' store and if we don't do it--call us dead ones. The stock has got to go and it's got to go in **Ten Days.** The articles that we shall give away free include **Suits, Coats, Pants, Vests, Hats, Caps, Shirts, Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Etc., Etc.,** all at values as above, everything but money--that we keep for that's what we need--what we have got to get. If we didn't need it and need it bad we should not be forced to make this extraordinary offer--a proposition never matched in the business history of Lowell.

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Whatever the Weather or Whether it Storms or no—THE GIFT SALE GOES

SKETCHES AT THE BASKETBALL GAME LAST NIGHT.

THE GREATEST EVER

Lowell Won Fast Game From Natick Last Night

With everything against them Lowell's basketball players went in last night and won a game from Natick that seemed lost from the start.

You have read about "the greatest game ever" and "the most sensational of the season," etc., but such a game never occurred until last night. For almost two hours a crowd numbering 1800 people yelled, cheered and sang and then went away satisfied that for genuine sport, merriment and a good time they never invested money that was better spent. It was such a game that brings out all that is good in basketball. The men who fought during those strenuous moments had to use their brains to follow the work of their opponents. It was what the experts would call the most scientific contest of basketball ever seen anywhere and not until the latter part of the last period was it won.

ENTHUSIASM RAN HIGH.

For rooters you never saw the like of it. The Natick team came up on a special train accompanied by 200 of their good, loyal friends and a brass band. That they came is a matter for Manager Gray to congratulate himself on, for they taught the Lowell fans a lesson that was accepted last night, and if they only continue the progress they made last night Lowell will lose few games from now until the close of the season. The visiting rooters shouted themselves hoarse for the Natick team and the Lowell people took up the cue and yelled as they never did before.

No Lowell team ever received the encouragement that Capt. Abbott's team got last night. Once "Scotchy" started his favorite "We yell; We yell! Lowell! Lowell! L-o-w-e-l-l!" the cheering for the home team never stopped. Jimmy Gray, who was up in the gallery with some of the Boston rooters, was more than pleased and said it was worth more than a little to him to hear his team encouraged in that way. "After all," he said, "when it comes right down to an issue the Lowell people stand by you." "Peck" Donnelly was one of the loudest shouters for the Lowell men. After the second period he went to the Lowells' dressing room and gave the home team some good advice. "The Natick people are all in," he said, "and if you keep them well covered you will win." It was good coaching and the local lads followed his advice.

JIM REDMOND PLEASED.

When the score was tied at the close of the second period Jimmy Redmond, the former manager of the Burke team and one of the best posted men on basketball that could be run across, said that he never saw such a game. "Talk about playing," he said, "why that Lowell bunch never was forced to such a pace. Natick is tiring now, and if the Lowell boys hold out they will win. But for basketball I never saw teams fight for victory the way these fellows are battling. Talk about Burke-P. A. C. games, they were exciting all right, but the men were never forced the way they are tonight."

And so it was all around the hall.

The game itself brought all there is in basketball. Team work was the great feature and basket throwing was more accurate than in any other contest this season. Natick started off like a winner and indeed more than one-half of the people who went to the hall expected that the visitors would win. But right here is where they erred in judgment. At the close of the first period they had a lead of nine points and even Manager Gray and Jerry Murphy, the men who made the band play "Tessie," could see only defeat. But the men who wore the Lowell colors determined to make a last stand and it was a noble one. They fought an uphill game that few teams would tackle, and at the close of the second period the score was a tie at 19 each. Even Tom Ed Smith, who always roots his best for the Lowell team, could not believe his eyes when he saw the big figures put up on the score board. "Say," said Tom Ed, "those fellows have their bad games as well as the others, but just the same when it comes to a throw down Gray's men have them all beaten." Then Tom settled down for the third period, which brought victory. But before the playing began in this period the band played "Tessie" and the girls from Natick sang a song that told about Natick being a winner, and then when the Lowell men appeared on the playing surface the crowd broke into wild cheering. During this period the home team scored 16 points, while the best the visitors could do was to pile up four points.

The Natick rooters urged their team to go in and win, but the lead was too great and while the loyal rooters waved the green and red flags they took from the engine of the special train that brought them here, the Lowell boys went in and piled up the baskets. Cairns never played such a game as he did last night and his eye for the basket was the correct thing. Four times he landed the sphere safely, while Abbott, the hard working captain, led all with five baskets to his credit, two of the most difficult ones. Allard, too, was in championship form and he tossed four goals. Bill Holleron came next with two and his team work was superb. While Jack O'Neill is credited with only a single basket, it is to his credit that he scored that one at the critical part of the game. More than that Jack's passing was a revelation to his followers of the game and he took chances that others would refuse. It only goes to show what the writer has said many times that O'Neill is still in the game and not a back number by any means. Natick played a fine game, but they were gone after the first period because they started out to pile up a big score and simply wore themselves out. Had they played a steady game and reserved their strength the result would have been closer.

When the game ended Joe Lynch said to the writer: "When we come here again we'll trim your team good and hard. The boys outplayed themselves tonight. That's all. We'll bring the rooters again and they will cheer over a victory, not a defeat."

The lineup and summary:

LOWELL.	NATICK.
Allard lf	rb Healy
Abbott rf	lb Hayes
Cairns c	c Falle
O'Neill lb	rf Punch
Holleron rb	lf Martens (Sheridan)

FIRST PERIOD.

Goal, Natick, Hayes	2—0
Goal, Natick, Punch	4—0
Goal, Natick, Falle	6—0
Goal, Lowell, Abbott	6—2
Goal, Natick, Healy	8—2
Goal, Lowell, Cairns	8—4
Goal, Natick, Martens	10—4
Goal, Lowell, Abbott	10—6
Third foul, Lowell, Cairns	11—6
Goal, Natick, Hayes	13—6
Goal, Natick, Martens	15—6

SECOND PERIOD.

Third foul, Lowell, Abbott	16—6
Goal, Lowell, Allard	16—8
Goal, Lowell, O'Neill	16—10
Goal, Lowell, Abbott	16—12
Goal, Lowell, Holleron	16—14
Third foul, Natick, Falle	16—15
Goal, Lowell, Cairns	16—17
Third foul, Lowell, Cairns	17—17
Goal, Lowell, Abbott	17—19
Goal, Natick, Martens	19—19

THIRD PERIOD.

Third foul, Natick, Punch	19—20
Goal, Natick, Punch	21—20
Goal, Lowell, Abbott	21—22
Goal, Lowell, Allard	21—24
Third foul, Lowell, Holleron	22—24
Goal, Lowell, Allard	22—26
Third foul, Lowell, Abbott	23—26
Third foul, Natick, Falle	23—27
Goal, Lowell, Cairns	23—29
Goal, Lowell, Holleron	23—31
Goal, Lowell, Cairns	23—33
Goal, Lowell, Allard	23—35

Score, Lowell 35, Natick 23. Goals from the floor, Hayes 2, Punch 2, Falle 1, Abbott 5, Healy 1, Cairns 4, Martens 3, Allard 4, O'Neill 1, Holleron 2. Fouls committed, Abbott 3, Cairns 6, Falle 4, Allard 2, O'Neill 5, Hayes 5, Punch 1, Holleron 1. Points on fouls, Lowell 3, Natick 5. Referee, William Marley of Lowell. Timekeepers, Bucky Halloran for Lowell and Hugh Healy for Natick. Attendance, 1800.

LAWRENCE 21, HAVERHILL 9.

LAWRENCE, Jan. 29.—The local basketball team easily defeated Haverhill here last night, 21 to 9. Horan was the only visitor who was able to throw a basket.

LAWRENCE.	HAVERHILL.
Tighue rf	lb Lew
Sykes lf	rb Kelliher
Kane c	c Horan
Herron rb	lf Doyle
Pendergast lb	rf Harrington

Score—Lawrence 21, Haverhill 9. Baskets from the floor—Kane 5, Tighe 2, Pendergast, Sykes, Horan 2. Fouls—Herron 3, Pendergast 8, Kane, Sykes, Tighue 2, Harrington 4, Doyle 8, Kelliher 3, Lew. Points on fouls—Lawrence 2, Haverhill 5. Referee—Crittenden. Timer—Ball. Time—15-minute periods. Attendance—800.

LOWELL TEAM LOST.

The Winchester Y. M. C. A. basketball team last night defeated the Lowell Y. M. C. A., 20 to 16, at Winchester. The home team found the visitors a tough proposition, but superior team work landed them the match. Winchester has won 11 out of 13 games played.

WINCHESTER.	LOWELL.
Smith lf	lf Johnson
Crawford rf	rf Pearson (Leeds)
Sharon c	c Wilson
Harrold lb	lb Gray
Mitton rb	rb Myrick

Score—Winchester Y. M. C. A. 20, Lowell Y. M. C. A. 16. Goals from floor—Smith 3, Crawford, Sharon 2, Harrold 2, Mitton, Pearson 3, Wilson 2, Myrick. Goals on fouls—Crawford, Harrold, Pearson 3, Myrick. Fouls called—Winchester Y. M. C. A. 7, Lowell Y. M. C. A. 15. Fouls missed—Winchester Y. M. C. A. 13, Lowell Y. M. C. A. 9.

ANNUAL SUPPER

OR LADIES' NIGHT AT UNITARIAN CHURCH.

The annual supper of the male members of the First Unitarian church was held last night, but the occasion was really a ladies' night, for the lady friends of the members were present in large numbers and enjoyed the evening. G. F. Hamer, the church organist, gave a delightful organ recital from 6 till 6.30 o'clock.

At the close of the concert program the audience adjourned to the vestry, where a most sumptuous banquet was served, covers being laid for 150. After the banquet Rev. C. T. Billings introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. S. M. Crothers, D. D., of Cambridge, whose theme was "The Honest Miner of the Far West." The address was quite humorous and interesting.

During the evening Mrs. James Greig sang charmingly "I Dare Not Give a Sweet Little Doll," "The Devoted Apple," and for an encore she responded with "Loch Lomond."

A. M. Bowen of Lowrence sang "Because of Thee," and W. T. Reid contributed two numbers to the program, "Kavanaugh," and when recalled he gave "The Tragic Tale."

"Auld Lang Syne" was sung by the audience and parting grace was said.

CHINAMAN DEAD

Strange Crime Committed at Hanover Four Corners

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—One of the most brutal murders in southeastern Massachusetts in recent years was committed in the Masonic building at Hanover Four Corners some time in the noon hour yesterday, when Quong Sing, who had a laundry in the building, was throttled by a stranger and his head forced into a tub full of water and a large box filled with soap was placed on his head, holding it firmly below the surface and suffocating the unfortunate victim.

The murder and two robberies of houses in the immediate neighborhood complete the record for one day in that town.

Late yesterday afternoon Cyrus Ryan who has been employed at the Clapp rubber works, near the Four Corners was arrested as he stepped from a train in the south terminal, accompanied by the girl he was coming here to marry. He was locked up in the Tombs over night and will be arraigned in court at Abington today.

Quong Sing had run the laundry in the Masonic block on the side street leading from Broadway, for the last two years. He had three rooms on the first floor. He was the only Chinaman that had ever resided in the town and had built up a good business.

Like most Chinese laundrymen, he did his ironing in the front store, and he was at work there in the forenoon.

In the next room of the building is a barber shop kept by Bradford Snell, and beyond this is the market of W. D. Paxton.

In the forenoon both Mr. Snell and Mr. Paxton had called at the laundry to get water from the pump in the rear room, and being on good terms with John, as they called him, conversed considerably with him.

About 9 a. m. a stranger was seen to enter the laundry and was seen conversing with the Chinaman by people passing. Mr. Paxton saw the man when he called to get a bucket of water and he was also seen by Snell. When Snell called in there the stranger spoke to him and bade him "Good morning."

Mr. Paxton left the market at 11.55 to go to his dinner. He told his wife that there was a strange man hanging around the Chinese laundry and he did not like the looks of him. He hurried his dinner and went directly back to the market.

Meanlime, Mr. Snell had also closed his barber shop and gone to lunch. With the departure of both these men there was no one left in the building but the Chinaman and the stranger. The stranger was standing in the store watching Quong Sing, who was ironing a shirt.

When Mr. Paxton returned from lunch he saw the door of the laundry slightly ajar. He went into the barber shop and asked Snell where John was. Snell replied that he had not seen him, and suggested that perhaps he had gone out for a few minutes. Mr. Paxton told Snell that they had better investigate. The men entered the laundry and passed into a rear room, which was used as a kitchen and wash room by Quong Sing.

This room looked as though there had been a hurricane. The washboiler and washing materials had been scattered all over the floor, and leading from the sink to a door to the drying room at the right was a trail of water.

Passing into the drying room, which is only about 10x4 feet, the investigators found, in the middle of the floor, a tub filled with water and the body of Quong Sing hanging out of it. His head was submerged in the water, and a heavy box filled with soap wedged it in firmly. One of his hands was raised as if warding off a blow.

One of the men seized the body and found that it was still warm. The box was removed, and Dr. Grovenstein and Dr. McMillan, who reside nearby, were summoned. Efforts were made to resuscitate the unfortunate man, but without success.

Mr. Snell then ran to the telephone office near the laundry and called up Chief Watts in Boston, notifying him of the murder, and also gave him a complete description of the stranger whom he had seen hanging around the laundry during the forenoon. Chief Watts said that he would put officers on the case at once, and Snell then notified Selectman Eben C. Waterman. The town police and Selectman Edward A. Bowker of Centre Hanover were notified to keep a sharp watch for the missing man.

THE MURDERER ARRESTED.

It was thought by the authorities that the stranger seen around the laundry would leave town by the noon train and officers were sent to watch it, but he did not appear. The next train for Boston left Hanover at 2.35 and at Curtis Crossing a strange man about 25 years of age and wearing a long black overcoat and a slouch hat got on the train. He had a zinc trunk with him and also a small satchel. There is no baggage master at Curtis Crossing, and Brakeman William Sylvester took charge of the trunk, and when the train arrived at South Hanover a baggage check was secured and was handed to the man.

The trainmen had no orders to look out for anybody, and did not for a moment suspect that the man who boarded the train at Curtis Crossing was the one that the police were in search of.

In the meantime a telegraphic description of the man had been sent to all the stations between Hanover and Boston, with orders to arrest him on sight.

At Braintree two officers boarded the train, and before they arrived in Boston the suspected man had been placed under arrest.

As soon as the train arrived in Boston they called up Hanover and W. F. Bates, one of the leading business men of the place, left on the first train for Boston. Later in the afternoon W. D. Saxton, Bradford Snell, William E. Hanley and Stanley Baker left for the city, and on their arrival identified the man as the one they had seen in the laundry during the forenoon.

When searched the revolver which Quong Sing had kept in the laundry was found. It was also believed that Quong Sing had lost his watch, but it was not found upon Ryan. When arrested there was a girl with Ryan, who it is said that he was to marry, and the Boston officers asked her to give them the watch. She reached into her dress and produced a watch which she claims that Ryan had given her. This watch could not be identified last night by the Hanover men.

Glenmore club dance at Prescott hall this evening. Hibbard's orchestra.

MUSICAL NIGHT

FINE PROGRAM AT THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

A fine musical and literary entertainment was held at the First Congregational church last evening by the American orchestra, assisted by Mrs. Jean W. Sherburne, Miss Mae Folger Stevens, Mr. David Martin and Rev. J. A. McKnight. Solon W. Stevens was the accompanist of the evening.

The program was as follows:

Grand March from "Folkunger" Kreichmer
American orchestra
A Day at Niagara ..... Mark Twain
J. A. McKnight.
Violin solo
Master Hans Borjes.
The Guardian Angel ..... Gounod
Mr. David Martin.
Suite Romantique. A Day in Venice.. ..... Neven
a. Dawn. b. Gondoliers. c. Venetian Love Song. d. Good Night.
American orchestra.
Piano. a. Nocturn in ab ....MacDowell
b. Russian Dance ..... Chopin
Mae F. Stevens.
Sap. solo, I Love You .....Sobeski
Mrs. Jean W. Sherburne.
Dutlonghandled Dipper .... Charles Follen Adams
J. A. McKnight.
Cornet solo
Mr. Bryant.
Jamie Butler's Mistake
J. A. McKnight.
The Burgomaster .....Leuders
American orchestra.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

OF HIGH STREET CHURCH MET LAST EVENING.

The prudential committee of the High street church and society met last evening and organized for the year with the election of George A. Marden as chairman and S. F. Whipple, secretary. It was voted to consolidate the three committees on heating and lighting, care of grounds and repairs into one committee in care of church property. This committee consists of Messrs. Nelson, Bailey and Barnes.

It was voted to fix the janitor's pay at $200 per year, his duties to be defined by the committee on church property. Messrs. Bacheller and Robertson were appointed a committee on pulpit supply and Messrs. Marden and Whidden on church subscriptions.

The committee adopted an address to the people sent out as a "feeler" before laying out plans for the year.

MATRIMONIAL

A pretty wedding took place Wednesday at the home of Mr. James Manley, Tewksbury, when their daughter, Kathyrine Irene, was united in marriage to John H. Kelley, the well-known operator for the Boston & Maine railroad. Mary Manley, the bride's sister, was bridesmaid and the groom's brother, Mr. Anthony G. Kelley, was best man. The bride was beautifully gowned in white china silk, while the bridesmaid wore pale blue silk. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley after a short honeymoon to Troy, N. Y., will reside at East Tewksbury, where Mr. Kelley has built a nice cottage. Mr. Kelley is well known as a baseball player, being captain of the Tewksbury high school team.

LOWELL MEN ATTENDED.

At the 15th annual meeting of the Massachusetts Co-operative Bank league, held in Boston yesterday, the Lowell people who attended were A. B. Woodworth, president of the Lowel Co-operative bank; Jesse Shepard, president of the Middlesex Co-operative bank; William D. Brown, secretary and treasurer of the Lowell and Middlesex banks, and George H. Taylor, director of the Lowell bank.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

The installation of officers of Court St. Paul, Catholic Order of Foresters, was held last evening in Vincent hall. Deputy High Chief Ranger Dr. A. G. Payette was the installing officer and he was assisted by Past Chief Ranger Azarie Thibault of Court St. Antoine and Arthur Lavoie. At the regular business meeting there were two initiations and ten candidates for admission were balloted upon and deemed advisable. There were also two new applications.

The following were the officers installed: Chief ranger, George Labrie; sub-chief ranger, Louis Toursignant; past chief ranger, Cleophas D'Anjou; financial secretary, Adelard Sylvester; treasurer, Edmund Lambert; trustees for one year, Alphonse Gagnon, Elzear Turcotte, Joseph Ducharme; first conductor, Arthur Mirault; second conductor, Napoleon Rivet; first sentinel, Laurent Richard; second sentinel, Noel Gilbert.

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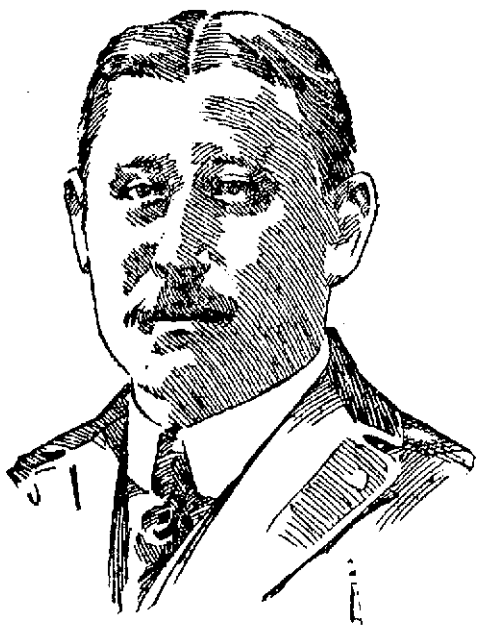
DR. DONLAN'S REPORT

To Overseers Contains Important Recommendations



DR. P. E. SULLIVAN, AMBULANCE PHYSICIAN.

Overseers of Poor Complete Minor Elections—Dr. John F. Boyle Succeeds Dr. Frye as District Physician—One Change Among Ambulance Drivers

The overseers of the poor met at the city hospital yesterday and completed the election of minor officials.

Only two changes were made, Dr. John Boyle succeeding Dr. Frye as district physician and Michael F. McDermott succeeding John Cuff as ambulance driver.

Supt. Donlan submitted an interesting annual report reviewing the year's work and making several important recommendations. The report calls for better fire protection, better care of tramps with particular regard to their cleanliness as a safeguard against infection, the better care of the fast increasing number of cases of tuberculosis among inmates, and a resident registered pharmacist.

Chairman Conley called to order at 3.45 o'clock and all were present. The secretary read the roll call.

Mr. McDermott for the committee on outdoor relief reported progress in the matter of changing the wood yard, it being agreed to defer this matter until later.

Overseer Dunn moved that the election of district physicians be held. They were taken by districts and elected as follows: District one, Dr. T. J. Halloran; district two, Dr. A. J. Halpin; district three, Dr. John Boyle; district four, Dr. Omer B. Porter; district five; Dr. James E. Leary; district six, Dr. Pierre Brunelle.

Overseer McCoy moved the election of an ambulance surgeon and Dr. P. E. Sullivan received the entire nine votes.

On motion of Mr. McCoy a ballot was taken for dispensary clerk and Edwin Mason, the present incumbent, received eight, Overseer Dunn voting for Mr. Carroll.

The election was then ordered for four ambulance drivers, and they were elected as follows: Michael F. McDermott had seven votes, Mr. McCoy voting for John Cuff and Mr. Tilton for W. H. Yeoman, and Mr. McDermott was declared elected. James Gagahan received eight votes, Mr. Tilton voting for George Cady, and was declared elected. James McGlynn received five votes against four for Alfred Morrissette and was declared elected on a straight party vote, and the fourth driver, George B. McKenna, received the entire nine votes.

The vote for district physicians in detail was as follows: District one, Dr. T. J. Halloran, six votes, Messrs. McCoy and Robert voting for Dr. Caisse and Mr. Tilton for Dr. Varnum.

District two, Dr. Halpin received four democratic votes and that of Mr. McCoy. Messrs. Eastman and Robert voted for Dr. Varnum, Mr. Foye voting for Dr. Bertrand and Mr. Tilton for Dr. Caisse.

District three, Dr. Boyle received the five democratic votes, Messrs. Eastman and Robert voted for Dr. Caisse and Messrs. McCoy and Tilton for Dr. Frye.

District four, Dr. Porter received the five democratic votes and those of Messrs. McCoy and Tilton, Mr. Eastman voted for Dr. Frye and Mr. Robert for Dr. Caisse.

District five, Dr. Leary received the five democratic votes, Messrs. Eastman and Robert voted for Dr. Caisse, Mr. McCoy for Dr. Varnum and Mr. Tilton for Dr. McIntosh.

District six, Dr. Pierre Brunelle received eight votes and Mr. Eastman voted for Dr. L. R. J. Varnum.

Supt. Donlan presented his monthly report as follows: Whole number of inmates, 380; deaths, 7; births, 1; tramps, 228.

Dr. Donlan then read his annual report, the full text of which will be found below. When he had finished the secretary was asked to look into the matter referred to in the superintendent's report in regard to consumptives.

Chairman Conley announced his committees as follows:

Accounts—Conley, McCoy and Dunn.

Care and repair of buildings—McDermott, Dunn and Tilton.

Dispensary—Foye, McCoy and Duff.

Out-door relief—McDermott, Foye and McCoy.

Wood yard—Dunn, Conley and Robert.

Agriculture, cattle and swine—Conley, McCoy and Foye.

Clothing, furniture and bedding—Duff, Robert and Conley.

Printing—Dunn, Conley and Eastman.

Provision and supplies—Duff, Tilton and Foye.

Insurance—Foye, Duff and Tilton.

Mr. Robert called attention to a couple of worthy cases in his ward and they were referred to the secretary, while Mr. McCoy offered them assistance from private sources.

After a discussion of the report of the committee on out-door relief in regard to the transfer of the wood yard which was presented in the shape of a blue print from the lands and buildings department for a one-story store at the ambulance yard, the board adjourned.

SUPT. DONLAN'S REPORT.

Supt. Donlan's annual report is as follows:

Lowell, Mass.,
Dec. 31, 1903.

To the Overseers of the Poor:

Gentlemen: I have the honor to present to you the following report of the city hospital and almshouse for the twleve months now ended:

On the first day of January of this year there remained in all departments of the almshouse 179 males and 239 females and in the workhouse 37 males and 41 females, making a total of 496 inmates, of which 90 were in the hospitals and 24 in the nursery.

During the year there were 612 admissions to all departments of the almshouse while 152 prisoners were committed to the workhouse, mainly for drunkenness, making the total number cared for 1260 of which 348 were patients in the hospitals.

The discharges from the almshouse aggregated 653, of which 365 were males and 298 were females, while from the workhouse were discharged or pardoned 195, 100 males and 95 females.

Of the inmates remaining at the end of the year 72 were aliens.

There were 118 deaths, 50 males and 68 females, of the total 14 being due to acute diseases and 17 to tuberculosis alone. The necessity for better care of our consumptives I have urged on you before and can only beg your help in furthering my former plans.

There were 16 births in the maternity ward, eight of each sex, 44 per cent of the total being illegitimate.

THE TRAMP QUESTION.

One of the subjects with which we have to deal and which I regret to say has suffered neglect, owing to the pressure of matters of more immediate import, is the housing of tramps or vagrants, of which we harbored 1882 during the twelve months. They are required to saw wood or shovel snow or coal according to the season at which they apply, and as a rule do sufficient work to average a fair return for the entertainment accorded them.

During December and the latter part of November there was a noticeable increase over the preceding months of this year and the corresponding months of the previous years, and this can only be accounted for by charging it to the rounding up of the lodging houses in Boston.

If we are to continue receiving these travelers, and I see no possibility of discontinuing it, they should unquestionably be given better quarters. Further than this for the safety of the public and ourselves every tramp should be compelled to take a shower bath and be examined by a physician so that those who are a menace may have their freedom curtailed, and not be allowed to depart in the morning for new territory with every probability of leaving disease in their train. This brings me to the necessity of having an interne to whom this work with other duties can be delegated.

Hospital care has to be given to at least a fourth of the inmates and this can not properly be done under the present system. The marvel is that you have not been subjected to more serious epidemics in the past.

There has been constant progress through the year as the obstacles interposed were less than in the year preceding, and I pray that your efforts be directed toward further improvement for there is no such thing as standing still; you must progress or you will retrograde.

BUILDINGS AND APPOINTMENTS.

I have twice requested and shall again repeat the request for an appropriation of ten thousand dollars to improve the physical conditions of the buildings. No one has denied the necessity, but the money has been each time refused on the ground that it should be expended by the buildings department and not by your board, and now the city solicitor has given a decision to that effect. I consider this decision conclusive and urge that you allow the superintendent of public buildings to perform the necessary repairs before we meet with some of the disasters that every day are becoming more threatening.

It is a waste of time for me to recount the absolutely urgent repairs that are needed as I have reiterated them so often that I am disheartened, but I cannot pass two items that are endangering the lives of both inmates and officers even while I am speaking to you. These are the floor of the laundry which is in imminent danger of collapse and the awful possibilities of fire, for the prevention of which no expense is too great. I have installed fire pails and extinguishers in addition to which there are stand pipes and about half enough hose. Your only safety, however, lies in preventing and not in the hope of extinguishing after discovery and to that end I again ask for the installation of electric lights and thermostats, the expense of both being comparatively small and their possibilities of immense advantage. Tin-clad doors are being put in all openings where possible, and I would suggest that automatic sprinklers be placed in the attics.

The necessity for an operating room you will appreciate when you remember that seventeen operations were performed during the year, one of which was a laharotomy, and despite the difficulties which we had to overcome it was successful. In this case it was necessary to wall off a bay window in one of the wings with sterile sheets and to cover the cracked floor and shaky ceiling in like manner, the preparation and then the removal of all this impedimenta consuming more time than would be necessary in preparing for twenty operations if we had decent facilities.

FLOATING POPULATION DECREASES.

The floating almshouse population has had a noticeable diminution which can be attributed to two causes. First, the labor difficulties in the spring, which prevented many of those who worthily try to care for themselves, when able, from going out and second, compulsory and hard labor imposed on a certain element of lazy hibernators made even the cold world outside preferable.

The installation of the card system for registration has enabled us to follow the movements of these chronic paupers to good advantage.

The farm and blacksmith shop averaged about as usual; a mattress shop was opened during the year which will keep the institution supplied; the carpenter shop turned out 112 pieces of new hospital furniture, exclusive of chair caning and repairs, and the sewing room produced 2533 new articles of clothing and mended 8545.

During the coming year the painting which was commenced 18 months ago will be completed, thus taking nearly three years to go thoroughly through the entire system.

A pavilion with awnings was added the past summer to the tent hospital, thus making a desirable open air dining room for those patients who are able to rise during the day.

The chimneys which were crumbling away and a constant menace were recapped and a new system of sanitaries placed in the north wing of the women's buildings.

The boilers were relined and retubed at the instigation of the boiler inspector.

These repairs, the cost of which has to come out of the maintenance fund, together with the enormous increase in the price of coal this year, has materially increased the weekly per capita cost.

NEEDS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

During the coming year I hope to be able to arrange the help in such manner as to allow a night nurse for the male hospital. Under the present arrangement it has shown admirable results, but with none but inmates for attendants at night you lose part of the benefits derived during the day.

I again ask, however, for a clerk in the storehouse to check incoming and outgoing goods, in order to prevent that waste or neglect that must follow the handling of so large an amount of material by inmates who have no responsibility.

In the dispensary 2112 prescriptions are put up annually. Registration of the dispensaries has never been required, but after the unfortunate accidents that have occurred in other places this year you ought to safeguard yourself at least to the extent of having a registered pharmacist and this product you cannot get at the present salary.

With regard to the workhouse my first recommendation is that it be abolished. There is nothing to be said in favor of retaining it and much against it.

Under the present physical arrangement (and there is no chance for improvement) there is absolutely no separation between paupers and prisoners.

The best that can be said is that it is a cruel condition. It has been urged that the prisoners committed would be able to work, thereby saving the cost of paid labor. This is a fallacy, as the ratio of prisoners able to do labor of any value is small.

Again we have not the facilities for working such prisoners as are able to do hard labor in a manner to make confinement distasteful.

The number of commitments to the workhouse is about 30 per cent. less than during the previous year, but it is a question whether the matter of license has any bearing on this subject.

In conclusion, I beg your co-operation for you must know that after the abuses extending over so many years formidable difficulties lie in the path of improvement and you are also aware that divers sordid influences are constantly trying to disturb the harmony and efficiency of the administration of the office, which is essentially the heart of the plant.

While we all regret the need of an almshouse, since the occasion for its existence and increase will always continue, we should take pride in its adaptation to the relief of suffering and this depends on the perfection of its organization. Respectfully,

CHARLES E. DONLAN, M. D.

"DOC" AMES FREE

Supreme Court Quashed the Indictment

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 29—The supreme court today quashed the indictment against former Mayor Ames of Minneapolis and the entire court held that the indictment was faulty. Judges Stark Collins and Lewis concurred in the majority opinion that the offense was not proven, while Judges Lovely and Brown disagree with that part of the opinion of the majority. Dr. Ames was charged and convicted in the district court of Hennepin county of receiving money illegally as mayor of Minneapolis from women.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY.

The young people of the Swedish Methodist church enjoyed a sleighride to Pelham last night. The party, consisting of 30 members, left Merrimack square shortly before eight o'clock and after inspecting the town of Pelham, N. H., by moonlight, they returned to the city and enjoyed refreshments.

Lowell, Friday, January 29th, 1904.

A. G. Pollard & Co.

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Ladies' 50c and 75c Golf Gloves for 25c and 39c a pair.
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Ladies' and Children's Mittens, 25c and 38c grades for 19c a pair.
Boys' Heavy Mittens, were 19c and 25c, for 10c and 19c a pair.

WEST SECTION—NORTH AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

LINENS

50c Bleached Damask, only....29c YARD
50c Unbleached Damask, only....29c YARD
50c Unbleached Damask, only....39c YARD
$1.25 Unbleached Damask, only....25c YARD
$2.00 Bleached Damask, only....$1.25 YARD
$1.25 and 75c Napkins, only....$1.00 A DOZ.
$3.50 Napkins, only....$2.50 PER DOZ.
$4.00 Napkins, only....$2.75 PER DOZ.
10c Huck Towels for....75c A DOZ.
35c Damask Towels for....10c EACH
25c Huck Towels for....19c EACH
$1.25 and $1.50 Fine Towels for....75c EACH

PALMER STREET—LEFT AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

MEN'S WEAR

What's left of the Sample Gloves, 25c, 50c, $1.00 and $1.50 kinds, only 15c, 33c, 59c and 98c PAIR

Colored Stiff Bosom Shirts, 75c, $1.00, and $1.25 grades, only 49c EACH

Shawknit Seconds of 50c quality Hose, only....12½c PAIR

Sweaters—the heavy Shaker sort, oxford, white and garnet, regular prices $4.00 and $5.00, only....$2.75 and $3.75 EACH

Boys' Wool Sweaters, were $1.00 each, only....69c EACH

Underwear—Odd lots of 50c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.50 sort, reduced to 38c, 69c and 98c

Negligee Shirts, were 50c and 69c each, reduced to only....33c EACH

EAST SECTION—LEFT AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

CHILDREN'S HOSIERY AND

UNDERWEAR

38c Stockings for....19c PAIR
50c Stockings for....25c PAIR
15c Stockings for....10c PAIR
50c Woolen Pants for....25c
50c Onelta Union Suits for....25c

EAST SECTION—LEFT AISLE.

Final Sweep Prices

DRESS GOODS

Ends, Short Pieces and Good Remnants of Voiles, Whipcords, Granite Cloths, Nun's Veiling, Cashmeres, etc., were 59c and 75c, only 39c YARD

PALMER STREET—RIGHT AISLE.

TEA and COFFEE

FOR 92c—1 pound Coffee, ½ pound Tea, 5 pounds Sugar, 1 can Bonsdorf Cocoa, for....92 CENTS

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT

Final Sweep Prices

Draperies and Rugs

Our Annual before Inventory Selling is on. Muslin Curtains, Lace Curtains, Portieres, Lambrequins, Couch Covers, Tapestries, Pro. Brussel and Ingrain Art Squares, Tapestry and Velour Coverings, etc.; Guimps of all sorts, reduced more than a third the usual regular prices will be much higher.

WEST SECTION—GALLERY.

Final Sweep Prices

Horse Blankets

All our 98c and $1.00 Stable Blankets at....75c EACH
All our $1.25 and $1.39 Stable Blankets at....98c EACH
All our $1.50 and $1.75 Stable Blankets at....$1.25 EACH
All our $1.00 Street Blankets at....75c EACH
All our $1.25, $1.39, $1.49 Street Blankets at....$1.09 EACH
A lot of $2.00 Street Blankets at....$1.49 EACH
A lot of $3.00 Street Blankets at....$2.25 EACH

These prices are to clear away the Blankets before we call off Stock tomorrow night. "It's a good time to buy," for next year the prices will be much higher.

PALMER STREET—BASEMENT.

Final Sweep Prices

TOILET GOODS

Colgate's Cashmere Bouquet and Violet Toilet Powder, Hudnut's Toilet and Face Powder, 25c and 50c packages, only....15c EACH
25c Almond Meal, only....10c
25c Eastman's Violet Toilet Water, only....10c BOTTLE

Final Sweep Prices

LEATHER GOODS

Young People's Purses of Seal or Walrus, were 25c, for....15c EACH
All our 35c and 50c Novelties marked to close....25c EACH

Final Sweep Prices

SILVER GOODS

All our Silver Novelties that have been 39c, 50c, 75c, reduced to 25c EACH

RIGHT AISLE—WEST SECTION.

Final Sweep Prices

UMBRELLAS

$3.00 to $5.00 Umbrellas marked $1.49, only....79c EACH
$1.50 to $3.00 Umbrellas marked 98c, only....79c EACH

EAST SECTION—NORTH AISLE.

IN POLICE COURT

Man Who Helped Himself to Cigars

WAS SENTENCED TO TWO MONTHS IN JAIL

Two Juvenile Cases In Court

Michael J. Finnerty, the young man who visited small stores representing himself to be a United States revenue officer for the purpose of getting free smokes, in police court today pleaded guilty to two complaints charging him with larceny and was sentenced to two months in jail. Finnerty called at Mrs. Boyle's store in Salem street a few days ago and told her he was a U. S. revenue officer and had visited her store for the purpose of taking samples of her cigars, cigarettes and tobacco. He said if they were up to the standard he would return them. He went behind the counter and helped himself to two cigars, a box of cigarettes and plug of tobacco. He also called at Annie Cullin's store in the same street and told her the same story. He went behind the counter and took one cigar. When asked by the court if he had any explanation to make, he answered no.

Matthew J. Wilton, charged with illegally exposing and keeping for sale intoxicating liquors, had his case continued to Feb. 3.

John J. Walsh, charged with drunkenness, failing to provide proper support for his wife, Annie M. Walsh, was sentenced to three months in jail. The sentence was suspended and he was placed in the hands of the probation officer.

Joseph McMahon and Everett Fall, two boys, were charged with taking a horse without having proper consent so to do. The McMahon boy acknowledged that he took the horse, but supposed it would be all right as the owner of the horse, Mr. Eben Bray, had allowed him to take the horse on several occasions. The Fall boy did not know that the McMahon boy had taken the horse without having Mr. Bray's consent. He was asked to take a ride, he said, and he took it. The McMahon boy was placed in the hands of the probation officer and the Fall boy had his case placed on file.

Bannister D. Marsden, charged with non-support, was sentenced to three months in jail. The sentence was suspended and he was placed in the hands of the probation officer for a term of six months. The complainant was his wife, Lillian Marsden.

Two drunken offenders, their first appearance before the court within a year, were fined $2 each and one was released.

DR. GUY HOLBROOK

Thrown From a Sleigh and Hurt

Dr. Guy Holbrook, chairman of the board of health, had a narrow escape from being badly hurt yesterday by being thrown from a sleigh in Chelmsford Centre. Frank H. Bachelder, who was driving the sleigh, was also thrown out, but escaped unhurt.

Yesterday Dr. Holbrook received word from Mr. Bachelder that he was wanted at the latter's residence in Chelmsford Centre, and when the doctor reached the village, having travelled there on the electric cars, he was met by Mr. Bachelder who drove him to his residence. Dr. Holbrook made the call and when ready to return to this city he was informed that the cars were not running on good time and Mr. Bachelder volunteered to drive him in as far as Jennes street where a car could be procured.

After passing the drug store in the village a snow plow and car passed the sleigh and the horse driven by Mr. Bachelder became frightened and started down the road at a high rate of speed. On reaching Dr. Howard's residence the animal took to the sidewalk where two trees and a telephone pole are located, and while trying to pass between these obstacles the sleigh struck the tree and the occupants of the sleigh were thrown out.

Dr. Holbrook struck against one of the trees and at first it was thought he had sustained a fractured skull, but when examined by Dr. Howard it was found that the most severe injury was a cut on the scalp which required two stitches. He also sustained other minor bruises and scratches and one of his hands was wrenched.

Mr. Bachelder escaped unhurt. The horse continued to run until he reached Jennes street where he was captured. Dr. Holbrook was able to return to this city on a train later in the day.

MILKMAN HURT

IN THE OVERTURNING OF HIS SLEIGH.

William J. Quirk, a milkman in the employ of Henry Currier of Pelham, N. H., had a narrow escape from being badly hurt shortly before nine o'clock this morning by the milk sleigh which he was driving tipping over and falling on top of him.

Quirk was delivering milk in West street, Centralville, and while attempting to turn his horse around in the deep snow the sleigh was overturned and Quirk was buried beneath the sleigh and the pile of milk cans and bottles. He fell in such a manner that his right foot was wedged between the sleigh and the curbing.

The ambulance was summoned and he was removed to St. John's hospital where it was found that his right ankle was broken. The attending physicians dressed his ankle.

ACCIDENT ON THE LAWRENCE.

Jose Crevier, residing at 470 Moody street, while at work in the Lawrence Manufacturing Co., this morning, shortly before eight o'clock, had his right hand caught between the rollers of a box planer, causing the laceration of that hand. The ambulance was summoned and he was removed to the Lowell hospital where his hand was dressed.

THE LATE LIEUT. P. S. WEBSTER.

LIEUT. WEBSTER

Popular Fireman of Hose 9 Died Suddenly

Peter S. Webster, lieutenant of Hose 9, in Lincoln street, died very suddenly shortly after 1 o'clock this morning, death having resulted from neuralgia of the heart.

The deceased was around the firehouse yesterday enjoying the best of health and last night made a tour of the district around the station to see if any of the street lights were out and returning went to bed about 9 o'clock.

At 10.30 o'clock George Chapman, a call man who sleeps in the firehouse, went to bed and saw Webster who was sound asleep at the time. At 12.25 Webster awoke and complained of a pain across his chest and told Chapman to go for the doctor. Chapman dressing himself, hurried to the residence of Dr. Wesley Sawyer, which is nearby, and the doctor was soon on hand, but despite all that medical skill could do he passed away at nine minutes past one this morning.

The deceased had been a member of the fire department since May, 1884, and had seemed to be enjoying good health of late, excepting that he complained of what he termed dyspepsia, but an examination showed that death resulted from neuralgia of the heart and in all probability it was the neuralgia instead of dyspepsia which was troubling him.

Mr. Webster's family, which consists of his wife and two children, resides at 249 London street, and though they were sent for when it was found that he was dying, they did not arrive until after his death. He was removed to his home this morning by Undertaker C. M. Young & Co. He was 56 years, 4 months and 7 days old.

GERMAN FORCES

Meet Severe Reverses in Southwest Africa

BERLIN, Jan. 29.—The commander of the German gunboat Habicht lying at Swakopomund, German Southwest Africa, cables that he has received news from Lieut. Zeulow, in command of the German forces at Okahandja (a mission station 80 miles from Walfish bay) that the Kafirs have effected a junction with the Hereros who are besieging that post. As Okahandja was already hard pressed the announcement has caused concern at the colonial office here.

SOME HARD FIGHTING.

BERLIN, Jan. 29.—The following dispatch from Lieut. Zuelow, sent by messenger via Keribib, was received here today:

"OKAHANDJA, Jan. 20—Am holding Okahandja. Occup'ed it Jan. 16 with 200 men after heavy fighting. Am waiting for guns from the Habicht. Ask for a division of artillery. Weak corps with machine gun from Windhoek repulsed 12th and 13th. Loss reported, eight reserves.

"In order to establish connections with the rear and bring forward military transports we attempted today with 60 men to reach Karibib by rail."

A later dispatch dated Jan. 21, says:

"Yesterday afternoon near Kawatuerasane, between Waldas and Okasise, there was a sharp fight. A division of about 70 men strong, sent forward by rail, lost 4 dead and 3 slightly wounded. The enemy lost 20 to 25 dead.

"As the bridge was destroyed am trying to send news from Karibib through trustworthy natives.

"We can hold out for some time yet."

WOMAN BURNED

Had Narrow Escape From Terrible Death

BUT FOR HUSBAND SHE WOULD HAVE PERISHED

Mrs. Green in a Very Critical Condition

Mrs. Celia Green, of 20 Franklin court, off Brooks street, had a narrow escape from being burned to death at her home last evening. She now lies in a critical condition at St. John's hospital. Inquiry at the hospital this morning brought out the fact that she had spent a bad night, suffering a great deal from the burns sustained.

The accident happened shortly after six o'clock, while Mrs. Green was lighting a lamp preparatory to taking it out and placing it in a hallway. Taking the lamp down from a shelf she removed the chimney and lighting a match applied it to the wick. After lighting the wick she threw the match, which she thought had burned out, on the floor. The match continued to burn and set fire to a newspaper which was on the floor.

While Mrs. Green was regulating the lamp the newspaper continued to burn, and in a very short space of time the flames communicated with her dress, the first hint of danger being the heat of the flames behind. Turning around to find the cause she was horrified to see the back of her dress ablaze. The dress was of a light material and was an easy prey for the flames. She attempted to put the fire out, but was unsuccessful.

In her excitement she ran about the kitchen screaming for help, the flames all the time creeping upward around her on account of the draft caused by her rapid movements.

The woman's husband was reading in another room and he rushed to his wife's assistance and by most strenuous efforts finally succeeded in extinguishing the flames, not, however, until they had inflicted very painful injuries about the woman's thighs, hips and back. Mr. Green's hands were badly scorched.

The ambulance was summoned and both were taken to St. John's hospital. On the way to the hospital Dr. P. E. Sullivan applied temporary treatment.

A report from the hospital stated that while the condition of Mrs. Green was of a very serious nature, it was not necessarily fatal. Mr. Green sustained superficial burns about the hands and wrists.

VALUE OF LIFE

Rep. McManus Sets it at $25,000

Representative McManus of Natick has put in a bill making the limit for which a person can sue in case of death of a relative at $25,000 instead of $5000, which is now the law. In New York state there is no limit to the amount for which such a suit can be brought.

CHECK FOR FIREMEN.

Another check of $50 has been added to the Lowell firemen's relief fund, a letter from Fred N. Weir this morning having the check enclosed. The check is sent in recognition of the good service performed by the local firemen at the fire in the old Odd Fellows' block in Merrimack street on the morning of the ninth of this month.

The following is the letter received by Chief Hosmer this morning:

Lowell, Mass.,
Jan. 28, 1904.

Edward S. Hosmer, President Firemen's Fund Association:

Dear Sir: Enclosed please find my check for $50, a contribution to the Firemen's Fund association in appreciation of the intelligent work of the fire department at the fire in Odd Fellows' building on Merrimack street on the morning of Jan. 9th, last.

Very truly,
F. N. WEIR.

Never Refuse

to advertise in a paper with a large circulation because you do not agree with its views on public questions. It is not to the paper that you appeal for trade, but to its readers. If you solicit patronage from those only who think as you do, you had better go out of business before you lose every dollar you have.

You may not agree with THE SUN on all questions, but if you take the trouble to look into its circulation, you will agree that you cannot afford to be out of its columns if you advertise at all.

LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER

OFFICERS CHOSEN

By Evening High School Class 1904

The first meeting of the class of 1904 of the Evening High school was held in room 4, High school building, last night. The meeting was called for the purpose of electing officers and the contests for places was most spirited. The result of the balloting was as follows:

President, John James Kelley; vice-president, Michael O'Brien; secretary, Miss Nora Curtin; treasurer, Miss Agnes Tully.

JOHN J. KELLEY.

INJURED BY TOY PISTOL.

Napoleon Heroux, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon Heroux, of 88 Austin street, met with a painful accident while playing with a toy pistol Wednesday. The pistol was loaded with powder and accidentally went off in the boy's face.

His right eyelid was badly burned, though the eye itself escaped injury. Dr. Rochette was called to attend the boy.

TO KILL OFFICIALS

Entering Macedonia on Reform Mission

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 29.—The porte has notified the Austrian and Russian embassies that the Macedonian committees have arranged with the Albanians for liberal rewards, to have them kill every foreign officer sent into the provinces in connection with the re-organization of the gendarmerie under the reform scheme of the powers. The porte, therefore, objects to the officers wearing foreign uniforms, as their lives are thereby endangered.

CHISHOLM WON

Had Easy Thing With Kid Goldstein

CHISHOLM SHOWED BIG IMPROVEMENT

At Riverview Club Smoke Talk

The Riverview club held its weekly smoke talk at Dewey Grove, last night, and aside from the musical and literary program presented three fine boxing bouts for the entertainment of the large number of members present.

The first preliminary was between Young Kale and Kid Lavelle, both of Lawrence, and neither one of them could write a book on the game, still they went six lively rounds, during which Kale came near being precipitated in the tureen in the fourth round.

In the second preliminary Matt Carney and Tom Marshall had a friendly go of six rounds, introducing science and fun. They were presented with two invitations to retire after they had tapped each other for four rounds.

The main bout was between Billy Chisholm of this city and Kid Goldstein of New York. Both men were in excellent shape and though Chisholm has not appeared in the ring for some time he showed up finely and has improved remarkably. Though the bout was scheduled for only six rounds that many were not necessary for in the fifth the Liddesher boy sailed away to the golden ghetto and remained there the necessary 10 seconds. The entire five rounds were all Chisholm's and in the second he put the Kid to the carpet. Chisholm showed more speed than ever before and had the old punch with him.

Luke Welch officiated as referee and Jimmie Kelly of Revere refereed the preliminaries.

Freddie Mallison rendered several songs and Fred Russell presided at the piano.

TEN CENT FARE

BETWEEN LAWRENCE AND LOWELL IS SUGGESTED.

E. C. Callahan asks for a 10-cent fare on street railways between Lowell and Lawrence.

EARL OF DEVON DEAD.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The earl of Devon (Rev. Sir Henry Hugh Courtenay) rector of Powderham, Deon, is dead. He was born July 15, 1811, and held an extensive estate.

Dr. Guy Holbrook, of this city, has taken a residence down town at the New American House. Telephone 893-4.

BUY YOUR

Pianos and Music

—at—

M. STEINERT & SONS CO.

130 Merrimack Street

The Most Reliable Piano House

SPECIAL SALE OF

Heating Stoves

Wishing to close out the balance of our stock of Heating Stoves we have reduced the prices from

35 to 50 PER CENT.

You cannot afford to do without a stove if you have not bought one yet.

Great Bargains this week in Sideboards, Dressers, Dining Tables, Beds and Bedding.

BORNSTEIN & QUINN

FURNITURE, STOVES AND CARPETS.

118-120 GORHAM STREET

A REAL MARK DOWN SALE

NEW DESIRABLE GOODS TO BE SACRIFICED FOR LESS THAN COST

We Give Blue Trading Stamps

NO BLUFFS
NO DECEPTIONS

We Give Blue Trading Stamps

Our record of 15 years of honest merchandising can be depended on and every item shown at this sale is guaranteed as represented. SALE NOW ON.

JACKETS

More desirable Jackets offered than the combined values of half a dozen departments.

$5.00, $8.00 and $10 Jackets, now **$3.90**

$12, $13.50 and $15 Jackets, now **$5.90**

$16.50, $18.50 and $20 Jackets, now **$7.50**

$21.50, $24.50 and $30.00 Jackets, now **$12.50**

CHILDREN'S COATS.

$6.00 Coats, now..... $2.90
$8.00 Coats, now..... $4.90
$9.00 Coats, now..... $4.90
$10.00 Coats, now..... $5.90
$12.00 Coats, now..... $6.90

CAPES

Immense values in Ladies' Capes, at $3.90, $6.90, $10.90, worth from $6.98 to $18.00.

WAISTS

In Lots.

One lot, choice 25c, worth $1.00.

One lot, choice 49c, worth $1.25.

One lot silk, choice $3.90, worth $4.98, $5.98, $6.98.

One lot, choice 98c, worth $1.98, $2.98, and $3.98.

FURS

Our stock of Furs is not very large, but it includes more values than we have seen this season.

See the Bargains.

One lot Fur Scarfs and Muffs, some were $5.75, $6.98, $7.98.

Choice $2.98

All Furs less than half price.

SUITS

Worth $12.98, now..... $3.98
Worth $15.00, now..... $4.98
Worth $16.50, now..... $5.98
Worth $20.00, now..... $8.90

SKIRTS

Walking and Dress Skirts.

Some were sold for $4.98, $5.98 and $6.98. All on one table.

Choice $2.98

New York Cloak & Suit Company 12 JOHN STREET Old Reliable Store

TRIED A SWINDLE

William F. Mannix Tried to Work Governor Bates

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—William F. Mannix, formerly a newspaper correspondent, who was expelled from Cuba in 1896 by the Spanish authorities, was arrested yesterday afternoon at the state house by Inspector Harris and Detective Rhodes. The charge against him was forgery of the name of Geo. B. Cortelyou, secretary of the department of commerce and labor, to a check for $25, which he uttered upon John E. Breslin, keeper of the Hampton house at Haymarket square.

In addition to this direct charge, Mannix is suspected of having attempted to swindle Gov. John L. Bates by procuring his identification for the purpose of cashing a worthless draft, which, drawn in favor of Mannix, had been sent a short time ago to the governor from the hotel Raleigh, Washington, by someone representing himself as the father of Mannix.

The letter to the governor with which the draft was inclosed was signed "William F. Mannix," and was to the effect that his son was soon to visit Massachusetts, coming from Montreal. The request was made that the governor deliver to the boy, on his appearance, the draft, which was on the Columbia national bank of Washington and for $50. It was drawn by "William F. Mannix" to the order of "William F. Mannix." On the reverse was "Payable to William F. Mannix, Jr.," but there was no endorsement.

SOWING THE SEED.

As long ago as Sept. 1 Governor Bates received a letter from Minnesota signed by William F. Mannix, a person unknown to him, requesting the governor's opinion as to the proper titles for governors, president, etc. The governor answered this letter, and nothing more was heard from Mr. Mannix until last week.

Then came another letter in which Mr. Mannix thanked the governor for his favor of reply to the prior letter, and warmly expressed his admiration for Massachusetts, Governor Bates and everything connected with the old Bay state. Incidentally he said in the letter that his son, William F. Mannix, Jr., was in Montreal, but was about to visit Boston. He would call on the governor, who had been so kind to his father in answering that first letter. In this letter he inclosed the draft with the request that the governor hand it to the young man.

Wednesday young Mannix was heard from when he called at the state house and inquired of Secretary Hurtubis whether there was a draft awaiting him there.

He was told that there was, and invited to come to the state house.

In the afternoon he made his appearance and was received by Governor Bates, to whom he brought a few offerings in the shape of a piece of stone, which he said was from the wall of China, a bit of the bridge in the "Forbidden City," a little china plate and four Chinese coins.

He spoke about his father and how delighted he had been with the governor's kindness some months ago. Mr. Mannix was given the draft and then asked the governor to identify him. The governor turned to his private secretary, really suspecting nothing, and asked the latter to identify him, but Secretary Hurtubis told the young man that the state treasurer's office was closed and he then suggested that he would like a little money till next day. The secretary finally gave him $5 to tide him over the night. He told Mannix to come up again yesterday and he would identify him.

PRODUCTIVE INQUIRIES.

Meanwhile Sec. Hurtubis, to whom the young man had been turned over, became satisfied that something was wrong, and he therefore started a series of inquiries. One of the results was obtaining information from Washington that no William F. Mannix had funds at the Columbia national bank.

The secretary also received a telephone message from the Vendome that the hotel had received a letter with a check for Mannix, Jr., inclosed.

The letter, written on note paper of the hotel Raleigh, Washington, said the writer's son was soon to visit Boston as the guest of Gov. Bates. The manager of the hotel was asked to deliver the check to the son, who would stay at the Vendome. The check was drawn on a bank in Wayzata, Minn., which is a summer resort, 14 miles from Minneapolis. W. H. Mannix in the letter claimed to live at Round Lake, Minn. The letter was held at the Vendome a week and sent to the police.

When Mannix, Jr., called at the executive department yesterday morning for his draft and identification he was told that the state treasurer was not in his office and that he alone in the treasury department could pay the money on the draft. Mr. Mannix was therefore invited to call at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

The young man went away, and Sec. Hurtubis went to the Adams house, where Mannix was stopping. On the registry book he found the entry "William F. Mannix and wife, Wayzata, Minn." He compared the handwriting on the book with the signature on the draft, but they tallied only, in his opinion, as to the "nix" at the end of the name.

At 3 o'clock Mannix again put in an appearance at the executive department. The private secretary had invited Detective Rhodes to attend the seance, and later had invited Inspector Harris of the Boston headquarters. The secretary questioned Mannix, who said he was stopping at the Adams house alone. The secretary could not get him to say that his wife or anybody else was with him.

The police were parties to the conversation, and at the end it was decided to take Mannix to headquarters, though there was no specific charge that could be made against him. At this time Mannix protested that he was from Minnesota, but admitted that he had worked on a Boston newspaper in 1898 and had been in Cuba during the war.

BRESLIN JUST ON TIME.

At headquarters the police were making but little progress with Mannix, when in walked Breslin with the complaint as to the checks passed upon him, and Mannix's identification followed.

The story of the check transaction is, according to Mr. Breslin, that Mannix came to his house Wednesday and represented himself as being the captain of Co. H, 9th U. S. Infantry. He said he was on leave and apologized for presenting himself at the hotel as he had been drinking. He showed a lot of letters of recommendation and said that he was going to call on Gov. Bates, who was his friend. He added that a draft for him had been sent to the governor to keep until his arrival, but that he needed a little money before he went to the state house.

He then produced a check on the Columbia national bank of Washington purporting to be signed by George B. Cortelyou, and asked Mr. Breslin to cash it, which he did.

Mannix went to the telephone in the Hampton house and called up the governor's office at the state house. Mr. Breslin heard the conversation, so far as Mannix carried it on, and it seemed to him that the governor recognized the voice of Mannix, and the latter said when he came, smiling, from the telephone, that the governor had asked him to come right up and see him.

Mannix then went away and Mr. Breslin did not see him again until the police had him.

When arrested yesterday Mannix had the money that Breslin had given him.

Mannix was either pretty drunk or pretended to be when he reached the office of Chief Watts, the first impression he created was that of a man who had done a freakish thing while on a drunk. When he was searched, however, letters of recommendation purporting to be signed by Gen. Nelson A. Miles and other noted men were found on him, and Chief Watts came to the conclusion that Mannix wasn't as innocent as he appeared, not even when he confessed, according to the police, that he had passed the $25 check on Breslin and had tried to get one for $50 cashed by the governor.

At headquarters Mannix said he lived in Washington, but the police say that he used to live in Charlestown.

Mrs. Rose Jordan Hartford wishes to state that owing to the many large snow storms the ladies have been prevented from getting a chance to purchase millinery but they have lost nothing by waiting as they can have their choice of a large number of beautiful trimmed hats, which have been selling from $8.00 to $15.00, and which this week we will close out at $3.98 each. We also have a number of others at prices from 49c up, and any of these hats are worth three times the price. Remember the sale is now on at Mrs. Rose Jordan Hartford's, corner of John and Lee streets.

PATSY SWEENEY

PROVED HIMSELF A HERO AT A FIRE.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Jan. 29.—Patsey Sweeney, Manchester's well-known pugilist, yesterday proved himself a hero. In the fire which resulted in the death of Annie Lydon, at 204 Chestnut street, he saved three lives.

Young Sweeney, who lives on the first floor of the tenement here, at about 10 o'clock heard screams in the tenement above and hurried to the place. He met little Annie Lydon on the stairs with her clothing and hair in a blaze. Seizing her in his arms he put out the fire on her dress, blistering his hands in the effort.

He then turned the child over to others to be cared for and dashed up stairs again. There he found his own child, 1 year old, with its clothing on fire and two other children, 2 and 3 years of age, on a blazing bed. He put out the flames on his child's clothes and lifted the children from the bed.

He next threw the burning material through a window into the street and carried all of the children to his own apartments. All three were nearly suffocated by smoke.

Annie Lydon died yesterday afternoon.

GOT SIX MONTHS

CHINAMAN AND HIS WHITE WIFE SENTENCED.

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—In the first session of the municipal court yesterday afternoon Chin Tye, a Chinaman and his white wife, Emma Chin Tye, were tried before Judge Wentworth on two charges, the first for abducting and keeping imprisoned in their house at 26 Oxford street, two young white girls who gave their names as Josephine Reed and Gertrude Lewis, and the second for keeping a house of ill fame.

Both the girls swore that they came to Boston from Nova Scotia and that Chin Tye met them a few days after they reached here and invited them to go to his house and see his white wife. They said they went, their street clothes were taken from them and they were held prisoners for two to three months and forced to accept the attentions of white men and Chinamen indiscriminately.

The characters of the girls were attacked by the lawyer for the defence, and several witnesses swore to uncomplimentary things about them, with the result that he would not find probable cause on the first charge and ordered the Tyes discharged.

On the second charge Patrolman Hughes had enough police evidence to convince the court of the guilt of the Tyes and each was sentenced to six months in the house of correction. They entered appeals.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES.

The evangelists were greeted by a large audience at the evangelistic service last evening at Immanuel Baptist church, Blossom street. Rev. Mr. Harriman preached a powerful and most convincing sermon on the subject of "The Great Salvation," which deeply moved his hearers. Mr. Taylor sang by special request and most effectively "The Wanderers' Prayer" also as a closing appeal "Where art thou, Soul?" The service this evening will be the last this week and special arrangements will be made so far as human instrumentality is concerned to make it the best of the series thus far. Mr. Harriman will preach a sermon especially adapted to the young, and Mr. Taylor will sing several new and appropriate selections. The praise service will begin promptly at 7.30 o'clock and this evening new features in song will be introduced.

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DRANK POISON

Beautiful School Girl Was Reprimanded

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—A whispered prayer that death might come and blot out the thought of disgrace which she believed would follow her expulsion from school was the first utterance which watchful nurses caught from the lips of a remarkably beautiful girl of 15 years, who was taken to North Hudson, N. J., hospital suffering from carbolic acid poisoning yesterday.

Six hours after she had been found in the waiting room of the ferry house at Weehawken, where she had tried to end her life, she revived somewhat and revealed her identity.

She is Annabelle Reinders, the only child of Charles Reinders, a tobacco manufacturer, who lives at 425 15th street, West New York.

It was her beauty which attracted the attention of passengers when she entered the waiting room shortly before 11 a. m. yesterday. She walked briskly into the retiring room and nodded to Mrs. Odell, the attendant. A moment later Mrs. Odell saw the girl raise a bottle to her lips and drain the contents. The odor of carbolic acid filled the room and Mrs. Odell sprang to the girl's side, but too late.

"I am going to die;; I have drunk poison," the girl murmured as Mrs. Odell bent over her. Before she lost consciousness she said: "I am glad I am going to die. Please leave me alone."

Mrs. Odell called the station master, who summoned a physician and an ambulance.

When the parents arrived at the hospital it was learned that the child was summoned to the office of Supt. Ortel of the Union Hill schools immediately after she had reported for her studies yesterday morning. She was crying when she left his office. She went to a nearby drug store and purchased with the nickel which she was saving for car fare home, a bottle of carbolic acid. She told the druggist she wanted the acid for a felon.

"I sent her home for an indiscretion which was brought to my attention by one of the teachers," Supt. Ortel said last night. "I summoned her into my office and after confronting her with the indiscretion, told her to go home and I would write her parents. She burst into tears and asked if I was going to expel her. I told her that she was neither expelled nor suspended, but that she must go home and I would consult with her parents about the case."

When pressed for an explanation of the indiscretion, Supt. Ortel said the child had written a letter and he intimated that the contents of the letter were what called for discipline.

The physicians at the hospital held out little hope for the child's recovery.

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WENT TO JURY

The Hand Polygamy Case is Finished

In the superior criminal court at Salem yesterday afternoon the case of Edward E. Hand of 43 Liberty street, Lowell, charged with polygamy, was given to the jury, but at adjournment no verdict had been reached. During the trial yesterday several phases of the allegations made by the government were made clear by witnesses and record, the more important being the following:

That Edward E. Hand married Ivy E. Reed of St. Johnsbury, Vt., Feb. 26, 1895, the ceremony being performed at Lawrence by Rev. C. W. Dockrill; that the couple lived together until March 16, 1897, when she went to her old home in St. Johnsbury, and that wife No. 1 was divorced from defendant Oct. 29, 1899.

It was also shown that Hand married Miss Alice Binns of Lowell June 30, 1901, and married Irene B. Palmer, now living at 343 Washington street, Haverhill, Sept. 10, 1903; that the Tilton cottage at Salisbury beach is in the town of Salisbury, Mass., and that Miss Palmer just previous to her marriage rented the cottage of Mrs. Martha E. Tilton of Haverhill.

GAVE A PARTY

MACHINISTS ENTERTAINED AT ASSOCIATE HALL LAST NIGHT.

Lowell lodge, No. 138, International Association of Machinists, held its first complimentary dancing party at Associate hall last evening and the affair was largely attended. The officers of the evening were: General manager, C. H. Beard; assistant general manager, Edward Young; floor director, Melville Harris; assistant floor director, Frank Scott; chief aid, Thomas Tierney; aids, Clyde Written, P. C. Murray, Joseph Quinn, Frederick Barrows, Adlmore Boudreaux, James McGrail, Jeremiah Taylor, John Morrissey, Herbert Hilliard, E. H. Burke; reception committee, James McEvoy, Maurice Butterfield, Timothy Kearns, John Lyons, Williams Lyness, Thomas Carey, J. Enright, Walter Witham and George Watson.

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WOMEN'S COATS, SUITS AND CAPES

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This includes every one of the above garments in our store, "none reserved." We must reduce stock and we take this method to do it. If you have a need or are likely to have a need for any of these garments, seize this opportunity to supply it, for opportunities of this character are few and far between . . . . . .

Jersey Underwear

Union Suits (for women), fine wool, a little soiled, black, white and grey in the lot; have been selling for $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50.....Now $1.00

Women's Union Suits, small sizes, regularly 39c.....Now 19c

Girls' Pants—Boys' Drawers. All wool, white, grey and scarlet, regularly 79c and 98c.....Now 39c

Women's 50c Garments, odds and ends in Jersey Ribbed Vests, Pants and Corset Covers.. .... Now 25c

HOSIERY

Women's Fleeced Hose, were 12½c Now 10c

Women's Fancy Red Hose, were 50c Now 12½c

Women's Fancy Hose, were 50c Now 25c

Women's Black Lace Hose, were 50c Now 39c

Women's Fancy Lisle Hose, were 98c and $1.49.....Now 49c

Women's Fancy Silk and Lisle Hose, were $2.00 and $3.00.....Now 69c

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Waists that were 98c to $1.50 now 49c
Waists that were $2 to $2.25 now 98c
Waists that were $2.50 to $3 now $1.49
Waists that were $3.50 to $5 now $1.98

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Black and colored Gimps now 2c Yard were 10c and 12 1-2c.

Silk Allovers, your choice of anything in our stock, just 1-2 marked price.

Prices range from 75c to $3 yard.

JUST IN

New invoice of Crushed Leather Belts; all the rage. Price 25c each

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Knives (pocket), regularly 25c Now 10c

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Williams' Shaving Soap, regularly 8c Now 5c

Hair Rolls, regularly 15c.....Now 9c

Munyon's Soap, regularly 10c. Now 8c

"Cosmo" Buttermilk Soap, regularly 7c Now 5c

Whisk Brooms, regularly 10c. Now 5c

Camphorated Vaseline, regularly 5c Now 2 for 5c

Toilet Soap, regularly 5c. Now 2 for 5c

Sponges, regularly 2c to 10c Now ½ price

Buttons (fancies), regularly 40c to 50c card .....Now 10c

Buttons (wash), regularly 5c. Now 1c

Hooks and Eyes, regularly 5c. Now 10c

Corset Steels, regularly 5c. Now 3c

Basting Cotton, regularly 5c Now 3 for 10c

Linen Finish Thread, regularly 5c Now 2 for 5c

Pearl Buttons, regularly 5c Now 2 for 5c

Box Paper, regularly 25c. Now 10c

Dainty 16 mo. Books, regularly 25c Now 15c

Small 16 mo. Books, regularly 10c Now 6c

History of Lowell, regularly $4.98 Now $1.00

Baby Pins (with chains), regularly 25c Now 10c

Beauty Pins, regularly 10c.....Now 7c

Waist Sets, regularly 25c.....Now 10c

Aluminum Novelties, regularly 10c Now 5c

Buckle Sets, regularly 25c....Now 15c

Front and Back Buckles, regularly 25c Now 15c

Top Collars, regularly 10c.....Now 5c

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Lace Insertion, regularly 10c and 15c. Now 5c

Lace Insertion, regularly 19c. Now 10c

Lace Insertion, regularly 25c. Now 15c

Flannelette Night Gowns, regularly $1.00 ..... Now 69c

Flannelette Night Gowns, regularly 49c ..... Now 39c

Children's Flannelette Dresses, regularly 49c.....Now 25c

Women's Muslin Robes, regularly 39c. Now 25c

Women's Muslin Corset Covers, regularly 25c.....Now 19c

Women's Golf Gloves, regularly 50c Now 25c

Women's Felt Slippers (Romeos), regularly $1.00.....Now 75c

Women's Felt Slippers (hand sewed), regularly $1.25.....Now 89c

Women's Jersey Leggins, regularly $1.00 .....Now 69c

Misses' Jersey Leggins, regularly 69c Now 49c

Children's Jersey Leggins, regularly 49c .....Now 39c

Lace Curtains (odd lots), regularly 49c and 59c.....Now 39c

Lace Curtains (odd lots), regularly 89c and 98c.....Now 69c

Lace Curtains (odd lots), regularly $1.19 to $1.49.....Now 98c

Lace Curtains (odd lots), regularly $2.00 to $3.00.....Now $1.49

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Men's Bosom Shirts, regularly $1.00 Now 49c

Men's Bosom Shirts, regularly 50c Now 25c

Men's 4-in. Hand Ties, regularly 25c Now 10c

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5.42	6.50	6.00	7.04
6.23	7.40	6.30	7.26
e6.50	7.50	7.55	8.55
a8.42	7.53	8.25	9.02
a7.01	8.05	e9.00	9.57
e7.24	8.10	a10.00	10.37
a7.31	8.50	a10.17	11.34
7.45	8.23	a11.20	12.07
8.55	9.40	12.00	12.38
9.40	10.40	e1.00	1.27
11.03	12.03	2.00	3.01
a11.43	12.23	e3.00	3.57
a12.14	1.03	a3.47	5.05
1.40	2.53	4.14	5.50
ea1.55	2.33	e5.00	5.57
a3.03	4.20	5.33	6.26
a4.47	4.53	a5.47	6.54
4.25	5.30	6.14	7.30
ea5.22	6.15	e7.30	8.08
a5.44	7.03	e8.30	9.05
ea6.22	7.05	10.30	11.34
ea7.29	8.10	11.30	12.22

SUNDAY TRAINS

e5.59	7.30	9.00	10.00
a7.24	8.10	1.30	3.57
8.45	9.49	5.00	5.58
a8.20	10.15	e7.30	8.08
e4.25	5.55	e8.30	9.08
a5.08	7.00	9.00	10.02

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.50	8.00	7.50	8.34
8.00	8.54	9.15	10.32
9.25	10.39	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.08
12.05	1.32	2.15	3.19
12.45	1.57	3.38	4.55
2.30	3.35	4.50	5.50
3.10	4.10	6.01	7.05
3.55	5.04	6.35	7.48
5.00	6.43	9.30	10.40
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7.00	8.56		
9.25	10.30		

SUNDAY TRAINS

8.15	9.27	8.00	9.17
12.05	1.24	12.00	1.02
4.05	5.10	5.00	6.27
5.30	6.55		
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Glenmore club, Prescott hall this evening.

TROLLEY SMASH

Three Cars in One Mass of Ruins

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Three trolley cars of the Westchester avenue line of the Union railway on the Bronx and a truck laden with heavy steel girders figured in a smash-up last night, in which half a dozen persons were injured, three so seriously that they were removed to Lebanon hospital. The accident happened on a steep hill. Owing to the darkness the motorman did not see the truck, laden with heavy girders until he was close upon it, and was powerless to stop his car.

The momentum was so great that the car was torn asunder. Half a dozen passengers, three of them women, were in the car, but escaped serious injury. The car was left in darkness and before the passengers could alight another car had crashed into it from the rear. The motorman did not see the wreck until he was almost upon it and so steep was the grade that he was unable to stop. He was crushed between the two cars and had a hip dislocated. Great confusion followed when the first car took fire, but the flames were soon extinguished. In the midst of this a third car came down the hill and drove its way into the wreck. Five of its passengers were hurt.

HELPED HIMSELF

Michael Finnerty Called on Mrs. Boyle

AND SAID HE WAS A U. S. REVENUE OFFICER

Helped Himself to Cigars and Cigarettes

Michael J. Finnerty, the young man who was arrested at Revere beach last summer for impersonating an officer, was arrested in this city yesterday afternoon by Inspectors Laflamme and Maher and Patrolman Frank Foxon a complaint charging him with larceny. Finnerty is the man, so say the police, who went into the store of Mrs. Boyle in Salem street a week ago and representing himself to be a United States revenue officer, took samples of cigars, cigarettes and tobacco.

The official eye of the police department has been following Finnerty for several days. About two weeks ago he called at a junk store in Middlesex street and asked the proprietor what he was paying for copper wire. He told the dealer that he represented several light and telephone companies and that he had a car load of wire that he wanted to dispose of. The junk man told him he would pay the market price.

The police do not know what Finnerty's motive was at that time, but surmise that he was fishing for money in advance. About a week later Finnerty called at a junk store in School st. and representing himself to be the agent of some iron company, told the junk man that he had several car loads of old junk that he would like to sell. While he was talking with the School street junk man the Middlesex street junk man with whom he had talked about the car load of wire, dropped in and recognized Finnerty. He listened to the conversation for a while and then quietly walked out and meeting an officer told him the story. The officer entered the junk shop and talked with Finnerty and the latter acknowledged that he had called at the junk store in Middlesex street and had offered a car load of wire for sale. The officer telephoned to the police station and explained the situation. Deputy Welch gave the officer a list of questions to ask Finnerty, one of which had to do with his arrest at Revere beach. Finnerty acknowledged the corn. There was no complaint against him at that time, however, and Deputy Welch told the officer to tell Finnerty to get out of town and Finnerty said he would go.

A few days later Mrs. Boyle received a visit from Finnerty with the result that he was arrested yesterday afternoon. The police say that Finnerty is a schemer with a positive dislike for work.

FOUND SOME WHISKEY.

Liquor Officers Brown and Atkinson visited Matthew J. Whelton at 22 Suffolk street last evening and came away with a small quantity of whiskey, which they claim was kept for the purpose of sale. It was not the first visit that the officers had made to 22 Suffolk street since the first of May. Several weeks ago they called there and found a fellow selling whiskey. The fellow was summoned into court and was fined $100. A few weeks later Officer Brown called at the place and got possession of a bottle of whiskey, but Whelon broke the bottle in the officer's hand and the officer didn't succeed in saving enough for evidence. The officers did not meet with any opposition last evening.

FREEMAN ARRAIGNED.

Edward M. Freeman, the old man who was arrested yesterday forenoon on a complaint made by his two daughters, charging him with incest, was arraigned in police court in the afternoon. After listening to the girls' stories Judge Hadley found probable cause and Freeman was ordered in $1000 for his appearance before the superior court. Freeman failed to secure bail and went to jail.

CHICKEN AND HORSE THIEF.

The chicken thief who was arrested at South Amherst the 14th, after an exciting chase, and who gave the name George F. Jones, has been identified as Frank Wilson, who is wanted by the Lowell police for horse stealing.

Go to the special sale of millinery at less than half cost at Rose Jordan Hartford's, corner John and Lee streets. Big bargains for every lady.

PANAMA'S $10,000,000.

PANAMA, Jan. 29.—At the session held yesterday morning the constitutional convention approved a measure providing that of the $10,000,000 to be paid to the republic of Panama by the United States for the right to use the canal zone $8,000,000 is to remain untouched for the future benefit of of the new republic.

BROKEN HEARTED

Escaped Prisoner Surrendered to Police

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 29.—Hungry and broken in spirit by the efforts of his wife to divorce him, William T. Adams, a well educated young man of Barnstable, Mass., who says he recently escaped from the state reformatory of Massachusetts at Concord Junction, walked into the office of Capt. Miller of the city hall detective force yesterday at noon and surrendered.

"I am hungry and broken-hearted," said Adams, "and am tired of it all. The sooner I go back and am locked up the better."

Detectives Alexander and Linder took charge of the young man. His refined manner and intelligence so surprised them that they doubted that he had ever been in any prison, and detective Alexander questioned him.

He told the detective that he was formerly employed by the Jordan, Marsh company of Boston, and after having tried to get $100 worth of clothing from the store on a forged order was committed to the reformatory for three years. His intelligence and ability soon became known to the heads of the institution and he was made a bookkeeper in the office of the reformatory. He was not watched while at work and on January 11 escaped.

Adams had been married about two years before he was sent to the reformatory and Detective Alexander says that after the young man escaped he sought his wife, only to ascertain that she had applied for a divorce. Unable to effect a reconciliation he came to this city in search of work, but found none. He spent his last cent for a meal on Tuesday.

Capt. Miller communicated with the authorities of the reformatory and expects to hear from them today.

Adams was arrested in Boston in February, 1902, charged with passing a forged order for goods on the Jordan Marsh company. He was convicted and sentenced to the state reformatory, where he remained until Jan. 11 last, when he made his escape in some manner which the officials would not divulge. A reward of $50 is offered for his capture.

LADIES' NIGHT

HELD BY WILLIAM NORTH LODGE LAST NIGHT.

William North lodge of Masons gave its first ladies' night last evening and the event was a success beyond all estimating, it being necessary to stop the distribution of tickets for the affair. From 6.30 to 7 a reception was held by the officers. From 7 to 8.30 supper was served and after the banquet an entertainment and dancing was enjoyed in Colonial hall. Hibbard's orchestra furnished music and the party continued until midnight.

BISHOP GRAVEL DEAD.

NICOLET, Que., Jan. 29—Right Rev. Elphege Gravel, Catholic bishop of Nicolet, died last night. He was appointed in 1885.

If you should be looking around for bargains in millinery, you'll find that you have struck the right place when you call at Rose Jordan Hartford's, corner John and Lee streets.

SMITH BOUNCED

The State Hospital Nurse Relieved of Duty

CAUSE OF HIS REMOVAL NOT STATED

Authorities Dropped Him Rather Suddenly

Thomas Smith, the night nurse who was on duty at the state hospital at Tewksbury when the recent poisoning occurred, has been stripped of his yellow jacket. The hospital authorities declare that Smith's discharge has no connection whatever with the poisoning. The committee appointed to investigate the poisoning exonerated Smith from all blame. Smith's discharge came as a great surprise to him. He was visiting at his old home in Sharron, N.H., and wrote to the hospital authorities stating when he would return to work. A few days later he received a letter informing him that his services were no longer required.

LINCOLN CLUB

APPOINTED RECEPTION COMMITTEE FOR ITS BANQUET.

The Lincoln club held a well attended meeting last night. The club will hold their annual banquet on the eve of Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 11, at Odd Fellows' Temple, Middlesex street. The following members were appointed on the reception committee: Hon. Charles E. Howe, chairman; Hon. Butler Ames, Hon. James H. McKinley, Cyrus Barton, E. S. Eastman, Edwards Cheney, Hon. George E. Putnam, Wm. E. Westall, Wm. E. Badger, James P. Ramsay.

ICE GORGE THIRTY MILES.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Jan. 29.—Weather Observer De Main of this city issued a statement yesterday to the effect that the condition of the river and ice gorge on the north branch of the Susquehanna river are critical. Solid, impenetrable ice, extends in one long gorge from Beach Haven, Luzerne county, to Sunbury, a distance of 30 miles, without a break. Conditions at Bloomsburg are improving.

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To make room for Spring Goods which will arrive soon—splendid chance to secure seasonable goods at less than regular prices.

$2.00 Ladies' heavy double soles in Kid and Patent Tip, reduced down to $1.49
$2.50 Ladies' heavy double soles in Vici and Velour Calf, reduced down to $2.00
$3.00 Ladies' heavy and light soles, Goodyear Welt, made on mannish last, down to $2.50
50c Ladies' Storm Rubbers 35c
65c Men's Storm Rubbers, down to 45c
$3.00 Men's Box Calf, Vici, Velour, Enamel and Patent Colt, hand-made, down to $2.50
$3.00 Men's Box Calf and Vici, Goodyear Welt, down to $1.95

SATURDAY—DOUBLE DARK BLUE STAMPS.

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Children's 30c Rubbers, storm cut, sizes 8 to 10 1-2. Sale Price 19c Pr

Misses' Storm or Low Cut Rubbers, sizes 11 1-2 to 2. Sale Price 19c Pr. Former price 35c.

Children's and Misses' One Buckle Overshoes. Sale Price 49c Pr

Misses' 40c Boston Rubbers, with strap at heels to hold them on. Sale Price 25c Pr

Children's, Misses' and Women's 75c High Knee Leggins. Sale Price 39c Pr

Misses' $1.25 and $1.50 Box Calf Shoes, leather lined. All sizes. Sale Price 98c Pr

Ladies' $1.50 and $2.00 Heavy Solid Leather Box Calf Shoes. Every pair warranted. SALE PRICE $1.29 Pr

Women's and Misses' High 3-Buckle or Button Overshoes. Sold for $1.25 and $1.50. SALE PRICE 59c Pr. Sizes 13 1-2, 1, 2, 3, 3 1-2, 4, 4 1-2 and 5.

Women's and Misses' 40c Rubbers, sizes 2, 2½, 3 and 3½. TO CLOSE 10c Pr

Ladies' 35c and 40c Rubbers. All sizes. SALE PRICE 19c Pr

Ladies' first quality Storm or Low Cut Rubbers, good wide toes. SALE PRICE 29c Pr

Boys' and Youths' 50c Rubbers, sizes 11½ to 5½. Sale Price 29c Pr

Men's 75c Storm or Low Cut Rubbers, good wide toes. All sizes. Sale Price 49c Pr

Boys' $1.00 and $1.25 Overshoes, sizes 2 1-2 to 6. Sale Price 75c Pr

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